

12-16-1910

The Cedarville Herald, December 16, 1910

Cedarville University

Follow this and additional works at: http://digitalcommons.cedarville.edu/cedarville_herald



Part of the [Civic and Community Engagement Commons](#), [Family, Life Course, and Society Commons](#), [Journalism Studies Commons](#), and the [Mass Communication Commons](#)

Recommended Citation

Cedarville University, "The Cedarville Herald, December 16, 1910" (1910). *The Cedarville Herald*. 944.
http://digitalcommons.cedarville.edu/cedarville_herald/944

This Newspaper is brought to you for free and open access by DigitalCommons@Cedarville, a service of the Centennial Library. It has been accepted for inclusion in The Cedarville Herald by an authorized administrator of DigitalCommons@Cedarville. For more information, please contact digitalcommons@cedarville.edu.

For Excellence Our Job
Work will compare with
that of any other firm....

The Cedarville Herald.

This item when marked with an in-
dex, denotes that a year's subscrip-
tion is paid (due and a prompt set-
tlement is earnestly desired.)

THIRTY-THIRD YEAR NO. 51.

CEDARVILLE, OHIO, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1910.

PRICE, \$1.00 A YEAR

REV. BROWNLEE CALLED TO DAYTON.

At the close of the Sunday morning service at the Memorial Presbyterian Church, which was conducted by Rev. F. S. Kreeger, the congregation unanimously voted to extend a call to Rev. Daniel Brownlee of Clifton. The committee, which was delegated to call a minister to this congregation, through its chairman, Dr. J. M. Chase, presented the name of Rev. Brownlee as its choice of the several pastors who had preached trial sermons. The call was then extended to Rev. Brownlee. He preached several trial sermons and had given evident proof of being a strong pulpit man.

It is understood that he will accept the pastorate of Memorial Presbyterian Church beyond a doubt. However, according to the rule of the denomination, he cannot officially accept a call until his resignation is accepted at a congregational meeting of the members of his present charge. This formality will probably be gone through within the next ten days.

Rev. Brownlee will succeed Rev. F. N. McMillin, recently called to the pastorate of the Walnut Hills Presbyterian Church in Cincinnati, after completing a ten-years ministry at the Memorial Presbyterian Church.

The new pastor is a graduate of Lane Seminary, Cincinnati, fifteen years ago, and after his graduation from the theological seminary, he took up his ministerial labors at the Presbyterian Church in Clifton. It is understood that his popularity with his congregation is unbounded, and that the church has made a continuous effort to keep him in Clifton. Rev. Brownlee has occupied different pulpits here on occasions, and is at present chairman of the foreign missionary committee of the Dayton Presbytery. He has a wife and several children.—Dayton Daily News.

Mrs. Fred Morris (nee Carrie Badger), daughter of Mrs. Martin Badger, died at her home in Springfield, Ill., last Saturday.

Notice—All persons having bills against Cedarville Township should present same to the Township Clerk on or before the 26th of December for final settlement.

Frank A. Jackson,
Township Clerk.

DOINGS IN OHIO

Commissioners Violated Law.
Columbus, O., Dec. 15.—The annual payments of \$10,000 are to be paid against the county of Franklin of Truesdell county by Commissioners C. L. Brown and M. R. Talbot in their report filed with the state accounting bureau. Of this amount \$17,317 was expended in repairing the courthouse dome and \$17,172 in the erection of an industrial administration building. All this work was done without submitting the question of the erection of the buildings to a vote of the people, and the law was also violated by the expenditure of more than \$15,000 in each case.

Tom Lewis Re-elected.
Bridgeport, O., Dec. 15.—According to unofficial returns received here, National President T. L. Lewis has been chosen president of the United States Workers of America for the third consecutive year. Although his majority will not be known for some time, the returns received indicate that it will be at least 30,000.

Auditors Name Officers.
Columbus, O., Dec. 15.—At a meeting of the Ohio County Auditors' association the following officers were elected for the coming year: C. C. Meekison of Henry county, president; J. A. Dodge of Pickaway county, vice president; A. B. Peckinpaugh of Allen, secretary, and Charles Gibson of Noble, treasurer.

"Unloaded" Rifle Kills Lad.
Chardon, O., Dec. 15.—Left alone in the house in Chester with their sister Nora, 19, while their parents went to Cleveland to do Christmas shopping, Ralph Burr, 9, shot and killed his brother Eldridge, 7. The boys were playing with a rifle. They didn't know it was loaded.

Italian Fatally Assaulted.
Columbus, O., Dec. 15.—With a fractured skull and five bullet wounds in his body Rosario Zino, an Italian of Newark, is dying as the result of a brutal attack of which he was the victim in a vacant lot near Second and St. Clair avenues.

Stop Fines almost instantly.—Dr. Miller, Asst. Police Wm. No had after-attack.

LITTLE HOPE FOR MINERS

Ten Men Entombed Near Denver and Five Being Rescued.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 15.—John Anderson, night watchman, and nine other men are entombed, and probably dead, in the Hayden coal mine 14 miles from Denver. The mine has been burning for 24 hours. One of the two shafts is caved, and the other can not be entered. A government rescue car was sent up as a special train from Trinidad, and its crew, equipped with oxygen helmets, is now at the mine endeavoring to secure the entombed men if rescue or recovery is possible. Hope for their recovery alive has almost been abandoned.

Two Entombed Miners Rescued.
Tacoma, Va., Dec. 15.—T. E. Leaman and John Swartz, two miners who were entombed in the Green mine and given up as dead, emerged, accompanied by a mule. When the explosion occurred these men used a sledgehammer on the air pipe which furnished air to the mine and broke a hole in it. The men laid beside this until morning, coming out without a scratch. The total dead is eight and two are injured, one of whom will die.

TO QUIZZ PARENT OF MURDERED GIRL

Baer Said to Have Had Inside Knowledge of Death.

Columbus, O., Dec. 15.—Upon receiving a tip that Fred Baer, father of Florence Baer, the Grove City girl found dead in a vacant lot on the West Side, had told of her death before he identified the body, Chief Carter ordered Baer brought to the city prison today to explain his remarks.

Charles Orent, 25, of near Grove City, who has spent part of his life in the navy and who lives opposite the Baer farm, was placed under arrest and sweated by the police, admitting that he was acquainted with the girl and that last Friday in a telephone conversation she told him of her delicate condition and asked him to meet her in Columbus Monday evening. He declares that he did not keep the appointment.

Two other suspects have been released, both having furnished alibis, but one, Frank Welker, told the police that last September an East Long street physician performed an illegal operation on Florence Baer. The police department is still working on the theory that the girl died from the effect of drugs administered preparatory to an operation.

SHOW EVENT OF SEASON

London Looks Forward to Gould-Deedes Wedding.

New York, Dec. 15.—Although Mr. and Mrs. George J. Gould have not admitted the engagement of their second daughter, Miss Vivian, to Lord Deedes, an English nobleman, it was reported that the nobleman had admitted to his friends that the engagement exists with the approval of Miss Gould's parents. Society gossip of weeks has crystallized in the report that the wedding would take place in London in a spring and that it will be one of the show events of the English social season. Miss Gould is barely over 18 years of age; Lord Deedes is 44.

Condemned Man in Annex.
Columbus, O., Dec. 15.—Thomas Lawley, leader of the gang that murdered two Hungarian railway laborers near Circleville, early in the fall, was received at the penitentiary to be electrocuted in the annex on the night of April 14, 1911. One of the members of the gang, Frank Thompson, was also received to serve life for murder in the first degree, with a recommendation of mercy.

MEXICAN ARMY LOSES HEAVILY

One Hundred and Fifty Killed in One Battle.

CONSUL EDWARDS REPORTS

Fails to Give Source of Information, but Says Reports Given Out by Official Word From Truthful and That in Point of Losses Victory Was on the Side of the Rebels.—Reported That Prisoners Were Shot Down.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 15.—Americans here are citing the report of Consul T. D. Edwards at Juarez, Mexico, as evidence of proof of the manner in which the Mexican government suppresses the news of fighting in that country.

The first reports of the battle of Cerro Prieto came from Mexican official sources, and reported 14 Mexicans dead and 60 rebels killed and as many wounded. It was hailed as a federal victory. The same stories absolutely confirming that a big part of the insurgents had been shot down after they had surrendered or had been taken prisoners, and still later the information that the battle was a complete insurgent victory insofar as the loss of men is concerned.

Consul Edwards has wired to the state department and declared that his information is a completely reliable, that 150 Mexican regulars met death in the battle while the 60 insurgents were being killed. Mr. Edwards refuses to give the source of his information, but says it is authentic from an eye-witness. That the Mexican troops shot their prisoners is not doubted. Many Americans from the vicinity have come in with the story corroborating first reports. It is known that at least 35 of the 60 dead rebels were shot after they had surrendered or had been made prisoners.

GIVE TAFT BRASS BADGE

Worcester Trainmen Thought They Were Getting Gold Decoration.

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 15.—The gold badge presented President Taft on April 4 in this city by the railroad men of North America as a brass, and made by a civilian laborer in the Worcester county jail, according to A. F. Hutchinson, an engraver, confined at the jail for assault committed two years ago. Hutchinson told George W. Cook, chairman of the county commissioners, that the badge is made by a civilian laborer in the Worcester county jail, according to A. F. Hutchinson, an engraver, confined at the jail for assault committed two years ago. Hutchinson told George W. Cook, chairman of the county commissioners, that the badge is made by a civilian laborer in the Worcester county jail, according to A. F. Hutchinson, an engraver, confined at the jail for assault committed two years ago.

This information came out accidentally in the investigation of the charges of favoritism in the treatment of prisoners brought against the jail warden. Representatives of the local trainmen say that they paid a Worcester jeweler \$500 for the badge and presented it to the president in good faith. The jeweler told them it was being made in Providence.

DEBATE IS TAME

Hanley and Pomeroene Use Padded Gloves at New Philadelphia.

New Philadelphia, O., Dec. 15.—"With whom would you rather take your chances, a gas man or a lawyer?" This question, which will be a vital one to the general assembly when they elect a United States senator, was put by Edward W. Hanley in New Philadelphia to the audience which listened to the second of the joint debates between him and his rival senatorial candidate, Allice Pomeroene.

The debate was not so prudence as that at Mansfield. Both candidates preferred to fight with padded gloves and the blows did not have much force behind them.

PREFERS PRIVATE LIFE

Wade H. Ellis Turns Down Job on Customs Court.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Wade H. Ellis, formerly attorney general of Ohio, formally declined a place on the customs court to succeed Judge Hunt, recently nominated by the president as a member of the commerce court. Ellis said he preferred to remain in private life. He is now acting as special attorney for the department of justice.

Thompson Sure of Place.
Washington, Dec. 15.—Following a conference between President Taft, Senator Dick and Grand Thompson, secretary of state of Ohio, it is understood the president has definitely determined to appoint Thompson assistant secretary of the interior. Thompson asserted that the matter was under consideration. He is in Washington.

Blizzard Grips Adirondacks.
Saratoga, N. Y., Dec. 15.—The lower Adirondack region is in the grip of a blizzard. Over a foot of snow has fallen and a 40-mile northwest wind has drifted the roads and interrupted the tracks to such an extent that traffic has been seriously impeded.

WANTED.—To purchase 1,000 bushels of corn.—C. G. Turnbull.

Free! Free!

A Beautiful 42-Piece Dinner Set and Other Valuable Presents Given Away Absolutely FREE

For fifteen weeks we will give away dinner sets and, on the sixteenth week we will give away a high-grade \$25 Three-Piece Mission Furniture Set to the person present holding cards showing the largest total amount of purchases made during the preceding sixteen weeks.

These Dinner Sets and the Three-Piece Mission Furniture set are now on exhibition at our store. We will be pleased to have you call and examine them. Here is your opportunity to secure a set of dishes, or perhaps a Three-Piece Mission Furniture set FREE.

Special Notice—Only one dinner set will go to a family. After you receive a set of dishes you will then try for the Three-Piece Mission Furniture Set.

CONDITIONS OF CONTEST

Each time you make a purchase at this store amounting to over one dollar, the total amount of sale will be punched out of the Contest Card, which have been distributed or may be had at this store.

Each Wednesday afternoon at 3:00 P. M., you will present your cards in person at our store.

On the day and the hour specified, the person present holding the card which shows the largest amount of purchases punched out, will receive absolutely free of all charge, a beautiful hand decorated 42-Piece Dinner Set.

If your card does not entitle you to the set of dishes at the awarding, hold your cards for subsequent distribution as we will continue giving away a set of dishes each week for fifteen weeks; so even if some one else does get the set of dishes, one week your card may be highest card some later week, so save every card.

As previously stated you are entitled to a new card every time you make purchases at this store amounting to \$1.00 or more. For example suppose you purchase at one time goods amounting to \$2.76, we will then punch that amount (\$2.75) out of that card, so that unless you purchase more than that amount at another time, that card (\$2.75) is your high card.

When your card secures you a dinner set it will be marked "cancelled" by us and returned to you. You must save this card along with any others that you may have, as we have another big "prize" for you.

C. M. CROUSE,

HARDWARE STOVES FURNACES
Present Contest Cards Every Wednesday at 3 P. M.
Cedarville, Ohio.

What Shall I Give?

Where Shall I Buy It?

The two puzzling questions of the hour, regardless of one's circumstances, position or where one lives.

The Answer: Johnson's

Where Prices Are as Low as You Dare Pay for Qualities You Would Be Willing to Give.

Diamonds.

Alright, white and perfect in every respect. All our Diamonds are first quality and it is impossible to secure better than we sell. Every size in stock.

Cut Glass.

New and original shapes and artistic designs. The clearest, most brilliant and deepest cuttings. Glass from our store bears a stamp of quality. Our display is unusually attractive.

Watches and Clocks.

Attractive cases, reliable works—all our Watches are of the highest quality, the product of the greatest skill. You can see their beauty—we guarantee their reliability.

Toiletware

In Sterling Silver and best plate. Single pieces and complete sets for a lady's or gentleman's dresser. A variety of patterns, and with quality is combined style with service.

Jewelry.

Of quality, correct in style and exclusive designs. Besides solid gold we sell gold-filled jewelry, good for years of service. Few displays of Jewelry more complete than ours.

Rings.

Solid gold, properly made and perfectly finished. Plain or engraved, signet, single sets and combination of stones. We can fit any finger at any price.

ONE QUALITY ONE PRICE.

J. W. JOHNSON, Jeweler.

Cedarville, Ohio.

We Are Ready

To show you a fine line of Xmas goods in the way of
Wearing Apparel for men and boys.

Our Xmas Offer

To all whose purchases amount to \$15.00 or over between now and Xmas will be entitled to \$1.00 worth of merchandise FREE.

Nifty Shirts, Underwear, Collars, Ties, Sweater Coats, Shoes and many other useful presents

NOTICE

You will get better quality for less money by trading at the

Home Clothing Co.,

"The Quality Store."

Cedarville Ohio.

Useful Gifts

Men's, Women's, Children's slippers
In all the latest styles and leathers. Prices—
50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25
to \$2.00

If you need shoes, we carry a complete line of W. L. Douglas Shoes and guarantee satisfaction in every pair. The most up-to-date styles are found here, in patent colt, gunmetal, Russia calf and vic kid leathers; button, blucher and lace cuts. Largest assortment of ladies fine shoes carried in the city at prices within the reach of all. Give us a call and be convinced.

You Need Shoes

We need you for a customer

Horner Shoe Co.,

33 South Limestone, Springfield, Ohio
Opposite City Transfer

COME TO SPRINGFIELD, O.
FARES REFUNDED. FREIGHT PREPAID

At the Peoples Outfitting Company

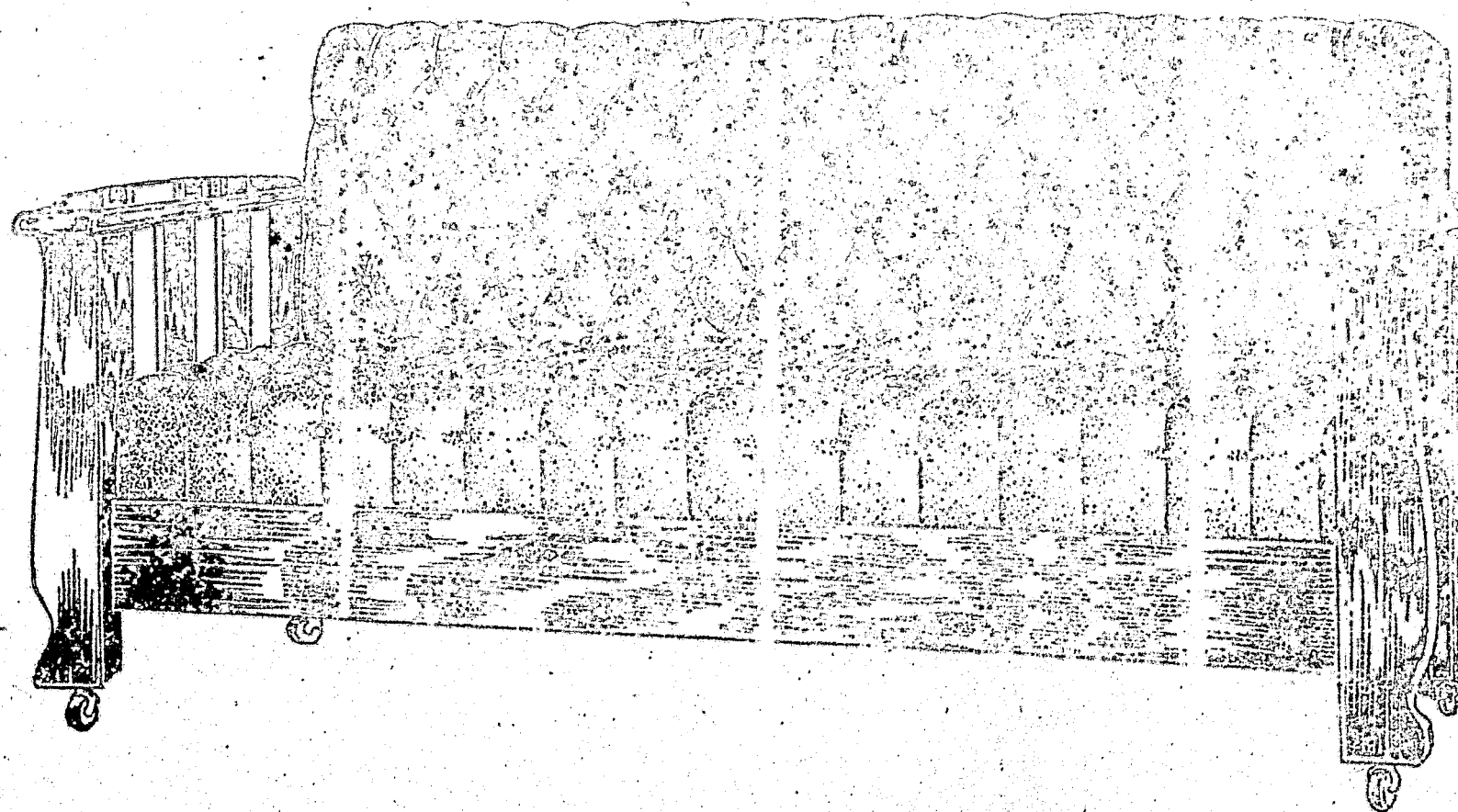
Chase Leather Davenport

We want you to see this solid oak frame.

BED DAVENPORT
at
\$18.75

Upholstered in the very best Chase leather, diamond tufting, and fitted with steel indestructible springs. You can't fully appreciate this piece of furniture until you see it, as it is a regular \$28.00 value.

Chase or Credit—Price the Same



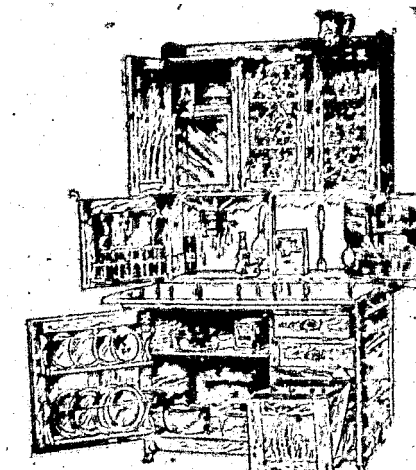
Child's Desk Kitchen Cabinet



These children's desks
Like Cut)

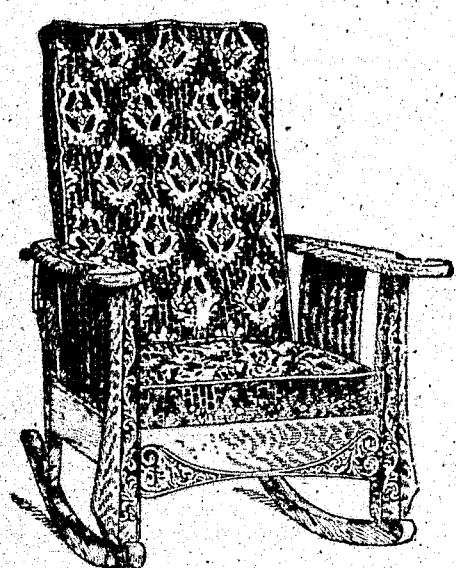
89c

Extra well made of
hardwood and worth
1.50. Only one to a
person.



One of these Solid
Oak, Kitchen
Cabinets
\$14.75

will be the most appropri-
ate gift you can give her.



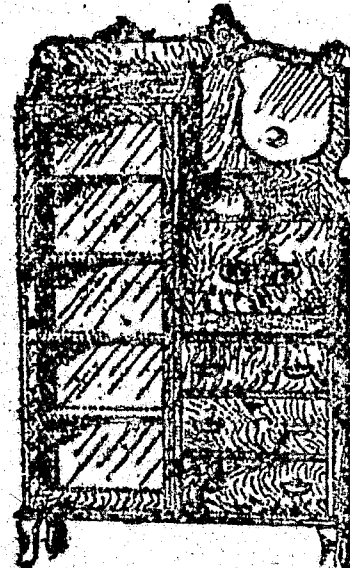
PIANO
POLISHED
Quartered Oak

**Morris
Rocker**

Price

\$10

We show over 75
styles on our floor
in all finishes.



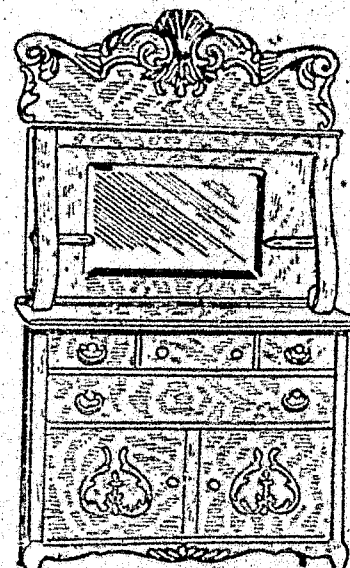
MOST ANY-
ONE WILL
APPRECIATE
THIS

**Combina-
tion
Bookcase**

PRICE

\$10.50

Made of solid oak
and beautifully
finished and
worth - - \$15.00



ONE OF
THESE
SOLID
OAK

**Side-
boards**

At

\$9.75

Is lower in
price by \$5.00
than any-
where else.



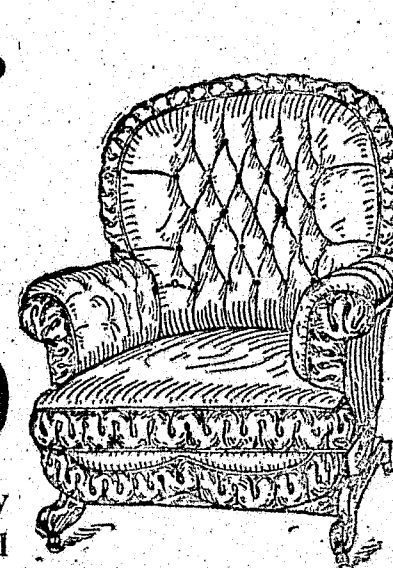
PIANO
POLISHED

**Music
Cabinet**

Price

\$5.00

It is a beauty
and is bound
to please her



THIS
GENUINE
Chase
Leather
Turkish
Rocker

\$11.48

will be the
most appropri-
ate present
you can give

Xmas
Bargains
in Every
Departm't

PEOPLES OUTFITTING CO.

ALWAYS BUSY.

See the most
Most Com-
plete Line
of furniture
in
SPRINGFIELD

Fountain Ave.,

Between Main and High sts.,

Springfield, Ohio

Down Go the Meat Prices!

Our Successors Have Failed but We
Have Not.

We Will Positively Sell for CASH
ONLY at the Following
Prices:

Best Cuts.....	15c
Chuck Steak.....	12 1/2c
Best Roast.....	12 1/2c
Boiling Meat.....	10c and 12 1/2c
Fresh Ham and Chops.....	15c
Fresh Side and Shoulder.....	12 1/2c
Boiled Ham.....	30c
Smoked Ham.....	15c
Sliced Ham.....	23c
Lard.....	13c lb. or 2 lbs. for 25c

These prices will continue until further notice at the Old
Reliable Meat Market of

C. H. CROUSE.
33 Years Experience.

The Palace Restaurant

Mrs. Chas. Harris, Prop.

Xenia Ave.

Rooms formerly occupied by C. C. Weimer.

Meals by day or week, Lunch served all hours.
Furnished Rooms for Rent.

How It Feels to Be Run Over.
"When I was run over," writes a
correspondent, "I had not seen the car
approaching. The first thing I knew
was that I was on the ground, kicking
upward with my legs in an effort to
get from under the car. Then I felt a
wheel going over my chest, which
bent as it passed over. In the inter-
vening second or two I went through
several minutes' worth of feelings. I
had the sensations of astonishment at
being on the ground, of wanting to roll
aside and away, of bracing myself,
and my chest especially—stiff to resist
something, whatever it might be, while
a lightning flash of fear was dimly
there and a subconscious query, 'What
on earth next?' Yet it was hardly
fear, because there was no time for
such a durable sensation. It was rather
a sense of being suddenly confronted
with a grave reality, of doubtful,
obscurely terrible import."—London
Chronicle.

Origin of Coal.
Coal is of vegetable origin. When
vegetable matter accumulates under
water it undergoes a slow process of
decomposition, giving off its nitrogen,
hydrogen, oxygen and some carbon,
the result of which is carried far
enough to the formation of a mass of
carbon. Peat, found often in swampy
tracts, is the first stage in the coal
forming process, and the further
stages are formed by the burial of
these vegetable deposits under great
loads of sediment, where they become
subject to pressure and sometimes to
heat. This effects a series of changes,
consolidation and loss of oxygen and
gives a series of products whose na-
ture depends on the degree to which
the original vegetable matter has been
changed. The products are known as
lignite, bituminous coal and anthracite
coal.

Mixing His Dates.
There is a story of a man who was
so transported with joy as he stood
up at the altar call to be married that
his thoughts reverted to a day when
he stood up at the prisoner's bar in a
court of justice to plead "guilty" or
"not guilty" to a criminal charge. So
powerfully did that, the most painful
event of his life, obtrude itself upon
his mind that when the clergyman put
the question, "Wilt thou have this wo-
man to be thy wedded wife?" and so
on, "I'm pose distracted bridegroom an-
swered with startling distinctness,
"Not guilty, so help me!"—From Tuck-
erman's "Personal Recollections."

A Stubborn Opening.
The head of the household was go-
ing through her husband's pockets the
next morning.
"What kept you out so late last
night?" she suddenly demanded.
"It was the opening of the cam-
paign, my dear," the lesser half re-
plied.

"Well, it didn't take three cor-
screws to open it, did it?"
And she drew the offending articles
from his side pocket and waved them
before him.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Riot of Ink.
Canon Nicholl used to tell how on
one occasion he had visited the famous
house of the Thurs in that suburb
of London where Dr. Johnson was at
home. "Johnson," said the canon in
recalling his visit, "had occupied two
rooms, and these were left as he last
used them. The sight was an extraor-
dinary one, for ink was splashed all
over the floor and even on the walls.
It was one of the doctor's habits to
dip his pen in ink and then shake it."

Teaching the Teacher.
Teacher—Johnny, what part of speech
is "house"? Johnny—"Don't say, Teach-
er—Ah, but it must be, Johnny—May-
be yours is, because you talk through
it, but the only part of speech I've
got is my mouth."

Same Old Story.
"Does he pay his alimony promptly?"
"No. He has to be urged and threat-
ened every pay day; but then, of
course, I got used to that when we
were living together."—Cleveland Plain
Dealer.

Masculine Perversity.
Men are funny creatures to cater
for. A woman will buy the things she
wants, but a man will only buy the
things he needs.—Exchange.

When the fight begins within himself
a man's worth something.—Browning.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.

In the matter of Publication of
Notice in the estate of William
Dunford, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the
undersigned has been appointed
and duly qualified by the Probate
Court of Greene County, Ohio, as
administrator of the above named
estate. All persons indebted to said
estate must make immediate pay-
ment; those having claims will pre-
sent them for settlement.

L. G. Bull.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.

In the matter of Publication of
Notice in the estate of Dona M. Royce, de-
ceased.

Notice is hereby given that the un-
dersigned have been appointed and duly
qualified by the Probate Court of Greene
County, Ohio, as Executors of the above
named estate. All persons indebted to
said estate must make immediate pay-
ment; those having claims will present
them for settlement.

Andrew Jackson,
Robert Hood.

...THE FASHION...

33 E. Main
Street,
Springfield O

An Opportunity to Purchase Ladies' or Misses' Coats, Dresses, Skirts, Furs, Waists, Etc.,
For Christmas Gifts at January Prices

Instead of waiting as most stores do until after the Holidays to cut prices, we are going to begin
cutting now, so the Christmas shoppers may have the benefit while we are accomplishing our object
vix. to make room.

COATS AT LESS THAN COST OF RAW MATERIAL

One lot Misses' Coats made of gray herringbone worsted, with sailor collars and jeweled buttons:
\$18.50 values **\$10.95**
One lot Misses' and small Women's Coats in navy, black, brown and army blue chevrons and fancy
mixtures, 52 and 54 inches long. Formerly sold at \$25.00. On sale now at **\$14.50**

SPECIALS IN ALL DEPARTMENTS

Black Hydrate Petticoats, \$1.50 value . 30c Black and colored silk waists, \$3.00 value \$1.75
Hydrate Petticoats with 16-in embroidered . 30c
Blouse and 15-in dust ruffle, \$2.75 value, \$1.15
Black coney muffs, large size; \$2 value . 80c \$1.00 Children's Plush, and V at coats \$2.75

If you would be correctly dressed, buy at THE FASHION. Everything in Women's Wearing
Apparel priced to suit the purchaser—from the medium priced garment you may have in mind up
to as high as you wish to go.

Practical Gifts for Every Member of Family

Every member of the family should receive a gift of our Footwear. It
is something they have use for, and is always acceptable. You'll find the
Christmas footwear at its best at YOUNG'S. Everything is here, warm-
lined footwear, Slippers and Shoes, Rubber Boots, High Top Boots and Dress
Shoes.

LOOK OVER THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS AND PRICES

Mens Slippers, any pattern or stock, 50c. 75c. \$1. \$1.25, \$1.50, and \$2.00.	Shoes for Men, \$1.50, \$1.90, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.	WARM GOODS FOR COLD WEATHER
Boys' and Youths' Slippers, any pattern or stock, 45c. 50c. 65c. 75c. and \$1.00.	Shoes for Boys and Youths, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.50.	For the man who is out of doors these days, warm foot- wear is absolutely necessary.
Ladies' Slippers, any pattern or stock, 50c. 75c. \$1.00 \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.50 and \$3.00.	Shoes for Ladies, \$1.25, \$1.45, \$1.80, 2.45, 2.90, 3.50, and 4.00.	If you are needing goods of this kind, we want you to know that our lines of
Misses' and Children's slip- pers, any pattern or stock, 50c. 75c. 90c. \$1.25, and \$1.45.	Shoes for Misses and Chil- dren, 75c. 1.00, 1.25, 1.45, 1.90, and 2.45.	Heavy, High Storm and Hunt- ing Boots, Heavy Shoes, Rub- ber and Felt Gaiters and Ties Boots, Arctics and Alaskas are the best, most complete and lowest priced in the city.
	Shoes for Infants 25c., 50c. 75c. 1.00, 1.25, and 1.50.	

Meet Your Friends and Leave your Packages at

OSCAR YOUNG'S

7 E. Main street

Springfield, O

WORRY DOES KILL.

It slowly but surely destroys the cells of the brain.

Modern science has brought to light nothing more curiously interesting than that worry will kill. More remarkable still, it has been able to demonstrate just how worry does it.

It is believed by many scientists who have followed carefully the growth of the science of brain diseases that nerves of the brain act down to their causes are due to worry and that alone. The theory is a simple one, so simple that any one can readily understand it.

Briefly put, it amounts to this: Worry injures beyond repair certain cells of the brain, and, the brain being the nutritive center of the body, the other organs become gradually injured, and when some disease of these organs or a combination of them arises death finally ensues.

Thus worry kills. Incidentally, like many other diseases, it creeps upon the brain in the form of a single, constant, never lost idea, and as a dropping of water over a period of years will wear a groove in the stone, so does worry gradually, imperceptibly and no less surely destroy the brain cells that lead all the rest, which are, so to speak, the commanding officers of mental power, health and motion.

Worry, to make the theory still stronger, is an irritant in certain points, which produces little harm if it comes at intervals or irregularly. Occasional worryment the brain can cope with, but the iteration and the repetition of one idea of a disquieting sort the cells of the brain are not proof against.

It is as if the skull were laid bare and the surface of the brain struck lightly with a hammer every few seconds with mechanical precision, with never a sign of a stop or the failure of a stroke. Just in this way does the annoying idea, the maddening thought that will not be done away with, strike or fall upon certain nerve cells, never ceasing, diminishing the vitality of the delicate organisms that are so minute that they can be seen only under the microscope.—Journal of Physiological Therapeutics.

JUVENILE BLOCKHEADS.

Stupid Boys Who Developed Into World Famous Men.

There is quite a long record of famous men who in their boyhood were regarded as fools and dullards. Sir Walter Scott was called a "blockhead" by his mother. The mother of Brinsley Sheridan despised of teaching him, the simplest elements. Her death aroused him to activity and he became a scholar, philosopher, poet, wit, statesman and orator. Dean Swift, the keenest wit of his age, was "plucked" at Dublin university. Newton, Shakespeare, Michelangelo and Oliver Goldsmith all come in the category.

One day a girl named Tammy rushed out of a little grocery shop giggling an unkempt boy by the ear, and as she pulled him along she shouted to her neighbor:

"My heart is fairly broke with that brat, Tammy, and he is so stupid he can learn nothing!"

That stupid brat Tammy became the poet Tom Moore.

In a country schoolhouse in Queen's county, Ireland, a boy with a blunt knife cut in the desk "A. W." the initials of his name. The teacher, who caught him in the act, cried out:

"Stupid, you are better at cutting letters and destroying desks than you are at learning your lessons!"

That boy was Arthur Wellesley, known to fame as the Duke of Wellington, hero of Waterloo.

In the middle years of the last century, in St. Malachy's college, Belfast, a boy carried the letters "C. R." in the wood. The French professor reported him and declared that he "was besides a worthless boy, who would never amount to anything."

"I will amount to more than you!" returned the youth.

He did, for he became Lord Chancellor of England—Lord Russell of Killowen.—London Graphic.

Some Famous Echoes.

There is a famous echo on the Rhine between Coblenz and Bingen which repeats a word seventeen times, while in the sepulcher of Metella, the wife of Sulla, in the Roman Campagna, there is an echo which repeats five times in different keys and will also give back with distinctness a hexameter line which requires two and a half seconds to utter. Brewster mentions an echo on the north side of Shipley church, in Sussex, England, which repeats twenty-one syllables.

Not Ladylike.

"What do you think I ought to say to you for coming home so late—and in such a condition?" demands the lady of the house.

"Perish the thought!" gracefully replies the courteous husband. "Perish the thought! M' dear, surely you would not suppose I would ever think you ought to stay the things I think you ought to say!"—Judge.

Fate of a Speeder.

Gunner—Bigwood, the millionaire, started off for a banquet and was arrested for speeding. Guyer—Then he wasn't wined and toasted? Gunner—No, instead he was fined and roasted.—Chicago News.

Genuine Genius.

"Jones is a genius." "I never thought much of his poems." "They are not the reason. He succeeds in selling them."—Buffalo Express.

PATENTS

Copyrights and Trademarks obtained and all Patent matters handled for Moderate Fees. Our Office is located in the U. S. Patent Office building, Washington, D. C. We advise, if possible, the best method of securing a patent, and if it is not possible, we will so advise. Our Office is open from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. daily, except on Sundays and holidays. We are in the U. S. and foreign countries.

C. A. SNOW & CO.,
U. S. PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Sullivan's Store

As usual underselling every other store on Dolls, Toys, Books, Games, all Holiday Goods

FOR XMAS this has been the one place in Springfield that has kept DOWN HIGH PRICES, and we are equipped right now with the largest holiday stock, that we have ever shown, at prices other stores DARE NOT MEET.

Everything that Santa Claus ever knew or saw is here. Everything that is dear to the heart of a boy or girl, as well as hundreds of things they never heard of, because Santa Claus never had them before.

Our bright and jolly Toyland is alive with ideas for those seeking gifts for the little folks. Bring the children to see the Elephants, Horses with real hair, Balls, Rubber Animals, Jumping Jacks, Blocks, Foot Balls, Dolls, Go-Carts, China Closets, Dishes, Mechanical Toys, that run on tracks and walk about the floor, Humpty Dumpty Circus, Games, Automobiles and thousands of things that will amuse them.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO LOOK.

Our prices are lower than any other place in Springfield.

SULLIVAN'S

Corner Main & Limestone, Springfield, O.

"Thank You It Is Just What I Wanted"

This will be your Christmas greeting if you choose his gift here. Make out your list, AND COME EARLY.

Bicycles, Motorcycles, Tricycles, Velocipedes, Cameras and Supplies, Ice and Roller Skates, Striking Bags, Boxing Gloves, Foot Balls, Watches, Flash-Lights, Air Rifles, Fishing Tackle, Sweaters, Ice-Hot Bottles, Pocket Knives, Razors, Safety Razors, Sleds, Leggings, Parlor Target, Gauntlets, Etc.

P. SLACKS' SONS,

"The Old Reliable"

112 E. Main St., Springfield, O.

The Springfield Hardware Company.

Gillette Safety Razors.....\$5.00
Autostop Safety Razors.....\$6.00
Cru-Steel Safety Razors.....\$1.00
Gem Junior Safety Razors.....\$1.00
Henkle Razors.....\$1.00 to \$2.00
Scissors in Cases.....\$1.50 to \$5.00
Desk Sets.....75c, \$1 to \$1.50
Scissors in Sets.....75c to \$2.50
Manicure Sets.....\$1.50 to \$5.00

1847 Silver Ware
Let Us Work Your "Think Machine"
1847 Silver Ware

Chafing Sets.....\$9 to \$25
Chafing Dishes.....\$3 to \$10.50
Spoons and Forks.....75c to \$1.50
Alcohol Flasks.....\$1.50 to \$3.50
Baking Dishes.....\$1.75 to \$4.00
Serving Dishes.....\$1.50 to \$5.00
Fish Planks.....\$4.00 to \$7.00
Casseroles.....\$3.00 to \$5.00
Bean Pots.....\$3.00 to \$4.50
Universal Choppers.....\$1.00 to \$2.00

LIMBOCKER'S, In the Arcade,
Springfield, Ohio.

McGulloch

Headquarters for Every

thing in Leather

Goods—Imported

or Domestic

List Xmas Leather Goods—

Ladies' Hand Bags
Travelling Sets,
Collar and Cuff Boxes
Glove and Handkerchief Cases
Necktie Cases
Bridge Sets
Five Hundred Sets
Flasks
Drinking Cups, Letter Cases
Card Cases, Jewel Boxes
Manicure Sets, Three-Fold Cases
Sewing Boxes, Coat Hangers
Library Sets, Picnic Sets, Toilet Rolls

Trunks, Bags and Suit Cases

McCulloch's Leather Store,

40 E. Main Street, Springfield, O.

COUNT YOUR GIFTS

Have you remembered the Mother, Sister, Wife or Daughter? We want you to know that if you want something really dainty either for woman or child, you will miss it if you do not go to

MISS FLANNERY

Select Your Christmas Presents Now

FOR WOMEN—Corsets, Fancy Neckwear, Collars, Hand-Emade Ties, Lace and Baby Irish effects, Imported Hosiery, plain and fancy, all hand embroidered, prices 25c to \$3 the pair.

FOR THE BABY—We have necessities and luxuries as well—such as fine dresses, Baby Baskets, and Hampers, Knitted Goods, Stockings, Sweaters, Leggings, Caps, Mittens, Novelty—Combs and Brushes, Powder Boxes, Powder Puffs, Banks, Rattles, Dolls, and many other beautiful things which we have for the baby's Christmas present.

Our Christmas showing of Brass Goods this year is a revelation

Shop Early and Save Time and Money.

MISS FLANNERY,

CORSET AND STORK SHOP.

107 East High Street, Springfield, Ohio.

Graves' Cloak House

N. E. Corner High and Limestone Sts.
Springfield Ohio.

Ladies of discrimination, judgment and good taste, who do not care to squander their own or their husband's money, shop at other stores and buy here.

WHY? Because in the line of

Suits, Coats, Skirts, Furs, Waists

Millinery, Etc.

We give them more to choose from than any other house in the city, at prices which mean a saving of from 10 to 20 per cent. on every garment purchased.

Shop Early

Many make the mistake of delaying their Xmas shopping until the last few days, and are then forced to take what is left after the wise shoppers have had their choice. Avoid disappointment and dissatisfaction this year, by shopping early.

Shop in Springfield

Where Quality is Higher, Stocks Greater and Prices Lower.

A number of Springfield's progressive merchants have joined hands in placing this page of announcements before you, as invitations to visit their respective stores, and inspect their great stocks of newest novelties in Holiday Gifts.

Shop Early and in Springfield
The Quality and Economy Center of Ohio.
FAULKNER ADVERTISING AGENCY, SPRINGFIELD, OHIO.

The Man's Store

Springfield's Newest Store With Newest Merchandise

Do your Xmas shopping here and make this store your headquarters while in the city.

A few suggestions in Men's gifts—Neckwear, Gloves, Mufflers, Sweater Coats, Shirts, Underwear, Shoes, Overcoats, Hats, Hose. You will always do better at this MAN'S STORE. Try it.

Emil Levinson,

30 E. Main St. Springfield, Ohio.
2d Door East of Mad River Bank.

Leo Braun & Son, Jewelers.

A NEW LINE OF 1910 JEWELRY

Including Watches and Diamonds, Rich Cut Glass and Artistically Executed Hand Painted China. A complete line of Silver, Hollow and Flat Ware. Engraving free of charge.

LEO BRAUN & SON, Jewelers,
15 South Fountain Avenue Springfield, Ohio.

WALDORF SHOES

\$2.40

FOR MEN

All Styles

FOR WOMEN

All Leathers

CORNER LIMESTONE AND HIGH STREETS,
H. C. BIRCH, Manager. Springfield, Ohio

Our One-
Third of a cen-
tury of Ex-
perience in the

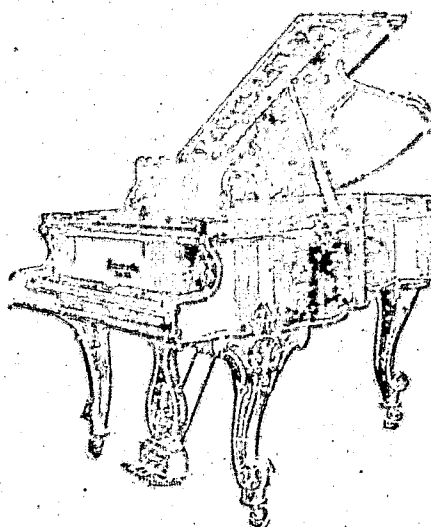
PIANO BUSINESS

Has shown us that every year the taste of the buying public becomes refined, its demands grow more exacting, its judgment is more accurate.

This accounts for the ever increasing popularity of the truly artistic piano, and explains why the SOHMER is held in such high esteem.

If your bank account does not permit you to place in your home the acme of perfection, the SOHMER, we have the next thing to it in several makes of truly high-grade pianos, and now it's time to investigate and secure for a Christmas present the one article that makes the home cheerful ever thereafter. Ours is the largest and most complete stock in Springfield from which to select.

We will be pleased to show you through it. Terms of payment very reasonable.



J. C. Martin & Co.,

Cor. High & Spring Sts., Springfield, Ohio.



START

Your son in the right direction early in life. A Bank Account is a man's best friend—it's an excellent silent partner. You can bank by mail.

The
American Trust & Savings Co.
Springfield, Ohio.

JOS. M. ZWIESLER'S

THE PLACE TO EAT—No matter what you want or when you want it, every thing is the finest the market affords and served to your liking. Prompt a la carte service all hours day or night, in Lunch Room and Rathskeller.
35c DINNER SERVED DAILY in American Dining Room.

ESPLANADE HOTEL

THE PLACE TO SLEEP—All rooms newly furnished. Everything comfortable.

EUROPEAN PLAN—50c and 75c.

Make this your headquarters when shopping in Springfield.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Fountain Square
Next City B'd'g.

The Merchants' & Mechanics' Savings & Loan Association.

Gotwald Bldg. Organized 1892. Springfield, Ohio.

Officers—1910.
J. H. Rabbitts, President
George W. Nettis, Vice President
Edgar A. Fay, Secretary
John L. Plummer, Counsel
Robert L. Young, Asst Sec'y
Oliver C. Clarke, Treasurer

Resources—
1900 \$ 219,957.73
1905 \$ 715,174.65
1910 \$ 1,389,467.63

Money deposited with us earns 6 1/2 per cent. and we pay—always have—same to depositors. Money to loan on farms.

The Sensible Man's Gift A Suit or Overcoat Made to Order

Place your order now, and be ready for the Holiday Season. No better gift could be given a man than a Tailored Suit or Overcoat. Our stocks are the largest and most complete in the city and at one price.

No More \$15.00 No Less

Made to Order

Our Hundreds of Satisfied Customers are our Best Advertisement.

Siebler Tailoring Co.,

Cor. Main and Limestone, Springfield, Ohio.

Piles

A POSITIVE

DR. HE

DR. HE

DR. HE

DR. HE

DR. HE

DR. HE

DR. HE

DR. HE

DR. HE

DR. HE

DR. HE

DR. HE

DR. HE

DR. HE

The Holiday of Humanity

CHRISTMAS is indeed the holiday of humanity and by that token no less interesting than humanity itself. The rich current of its observance has to carry all the best of other ages—their ideals, their hopes, their recollections, the beliefs that had won the right to live, the graceful, joyous customs which had won the same right by helping or heartening men, as well as all that our age can contribute to it from the material, artistic and spiritual side. The modern feeling has made a place, as the feeling of each age is sure to do, for the mood of carnival as well as the mood of faith. It can weave into the fabric of the holiday time the little spectacles of fireside felicity, the affectionate pledges of friends, the cheer of the loveliest family board or banquet table, the taper lights and organ music of cathedrals, the offerings of music and the drama and all the noble product of the artist and the artisan. In a sense Christendom takes inventory of itself at this time in each of its thousand activities.

One of the benefactions of the holiday is that it gives men the chance to do this and puts them in the mood to do it. It is the last and greatest "time of God." The pause it imposes is not so much on war's alarm, although the din of conflict grows ever feebler the while the message of "good will unto men" deepens into deed and custom, as it is on the absorptions and distractions of an age so wrapped up in its pursuits that it hardly has time to look about it. At Christmastide men do look about them. That its atmosphere could make a bad man out of a good one or a generous man out of a selfish one is one of the paradoxes whereof perhaps we must look to the genial fiction of Dickens for complete verification. But it does make men kinder, more thoughtful, more serene, than their wont.



You'll Find These in the Shops.

Christmas shoppers are fortunate this year in the number of novelties offered in the shops. There are sets of hat stands that come incased in leather and make useful presents for a man or a woman. Of more doubtful practicality is a new sheath for a handle, thirty inches in length. It must appeal to the stout woman and maybe to the lady.

For the woman who travels in out of the way places there is a compact leather case incasing an alcohol flat-iron. While it costs more than an electric iron, it will be found valuable for summer travel, especially when going to the wilds where electricity is not known.

What to do with hatpins is always a question. The small bottles with crocheted covers and ribbon hangers that some women have given their friends are pronounced worse than useless. Doubtless it was a woman who invented the substantial leather tumbler-shaped holders which are heavy enough to keep from tipping over and light enough to hold in the pocket.

A useful thing is a matchbox with a phosphorescent top that can be seen in the dark. Some curious pencil holders may have their admirers. A heavy glass stand has set into it a post of spiral wire on the end of which is a short chain to which a lead pencil is attached.

Children at Christmas Time.

We watched the trooping children play about the old house, once so gay and still. Then darkness fell, and one by one they said farewell. The mule and the laughter stopped. The play was done, the curtain dropped. The wailing lamp of night burned low. With each last cry across the snow. And we, old friends, were left alone.

What was it that we had known? Old friends and true, must even we find nevermore what used to be? Man lives by change; through ebb and flow the new lives come, the old lives go. We lose and gain, yet year by year the aging heart grows more austere. It may be that the strain and stress of our mad times tempt joylessness; it may be that our feverish days forget the old more genial ways; it may be, too, the ebb of love. Dead hopes and dreams have smothered love.

But plain it stands, no more we hold Earth's fond good fellowship of old. Yet thanks to one small spirit, old friend, As down the dusk of things we tread, Ago shall not strip our very heart Of all its old consoling art. Aye, thanks to each small voice and light That lent its youth to us tonight, And thanks to that strange fugitive Enduring love by which we live, Through childhood eyes and childhood net We yet shall hold our youth intact! And thanks to one still jovial day We still, old friend, shall make our way By thought and memory through the snow To youth and that lost long ago Where laughter, holding both his sides, Made at our days seem Christmastide!

—Arthur Stringer.

Piles or Smiles?
A POSITIVE GUARANTEE
to immediately relieve and ultimately cure with
DR. HEBRAS UNGOID
the most wonderful scientific discovery of modern times for the removal of itching, burning, swelling, itching, hemorrhoids, piles, rectal prolapse, etc. This highly medicated antiseptic ointment kills the germ, moves the trouble and heals the irritation permanently. Absolute satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded.
Price 50 cts. at drug stores, or mailed. Trial sample 2 cents to cover mailing.
THE C. C. BITTNER CO., Toledo, Ohio.

HOLIDAY GIFTS!

Our big store is in Christmas attire. We have been buying for months for this occasion, and can show hundreds of useful articles suitable as presents.

GLOVES.

English, fur lined - \$3, \$4 and \$5
Street Gloves, unlined, silk lined and fleece lined - 50c, \$1, \$1.50, \$2.
Boys' Rough Rider Gloves, with Star on the Gauntlet - 50c

LEATHER GOODS.

Cravat Holders, new, - 50c, 75c, \$1
Shoe Bags, Collar Boxes, Handkerchief Holders, Cravat Cases, and other articles \$1, \$1.50, and \$2.

Suit Cases and Traveling Bags
Suit Cases \$1, 2, 3, 5, 7.50, 10.
Traveling Bags \$3.50, 5, 7.50 10

Hole Proof Hosiery

All packed in holiday boxes, guaranteed for six months
\$1.50 and \$2, the Box
Silk Hose - 50c and \$2.00
Useful Presents.

Bradley Mufflers.

All the new colorings, suitable for street wear and motoring.
50c, \$1.00, \$1.50, and \$1.75.

Neckwear for Men and Boys

Hundreds of new styles at
25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, and \$2.00
Special Boxes for all Ties, 75c up.

Handkerchiefs

One thousand four hundred Jap Silk Initial Handkerchiefs 10c.
Other lines - 15c, 25c and 50c.

Scarf Pins, Cuff Buttons, Tie Holders.

Single and in sets. Prices
50c, \$1.00, \$1.50, and \$2.00.

Manhattan Shirts

New styles in neat semi-stiff bosoms \$1.75 and \$2.
Negligee styles \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50
Wilson Bros' White Pleated Shirts \$1, \$1.50
Good negligee styles at 50c, 75c.

Sweater Coats and Jerseys

These make a warm present, prices 50c, \$1, \$1.50, \$2, \$3, \$4, \$5

House Coats and Bath Robes \$3.50, \$5, \$7.50, \$10.

These Make Useful Christmas Presents.

R. S. Kingsbury,

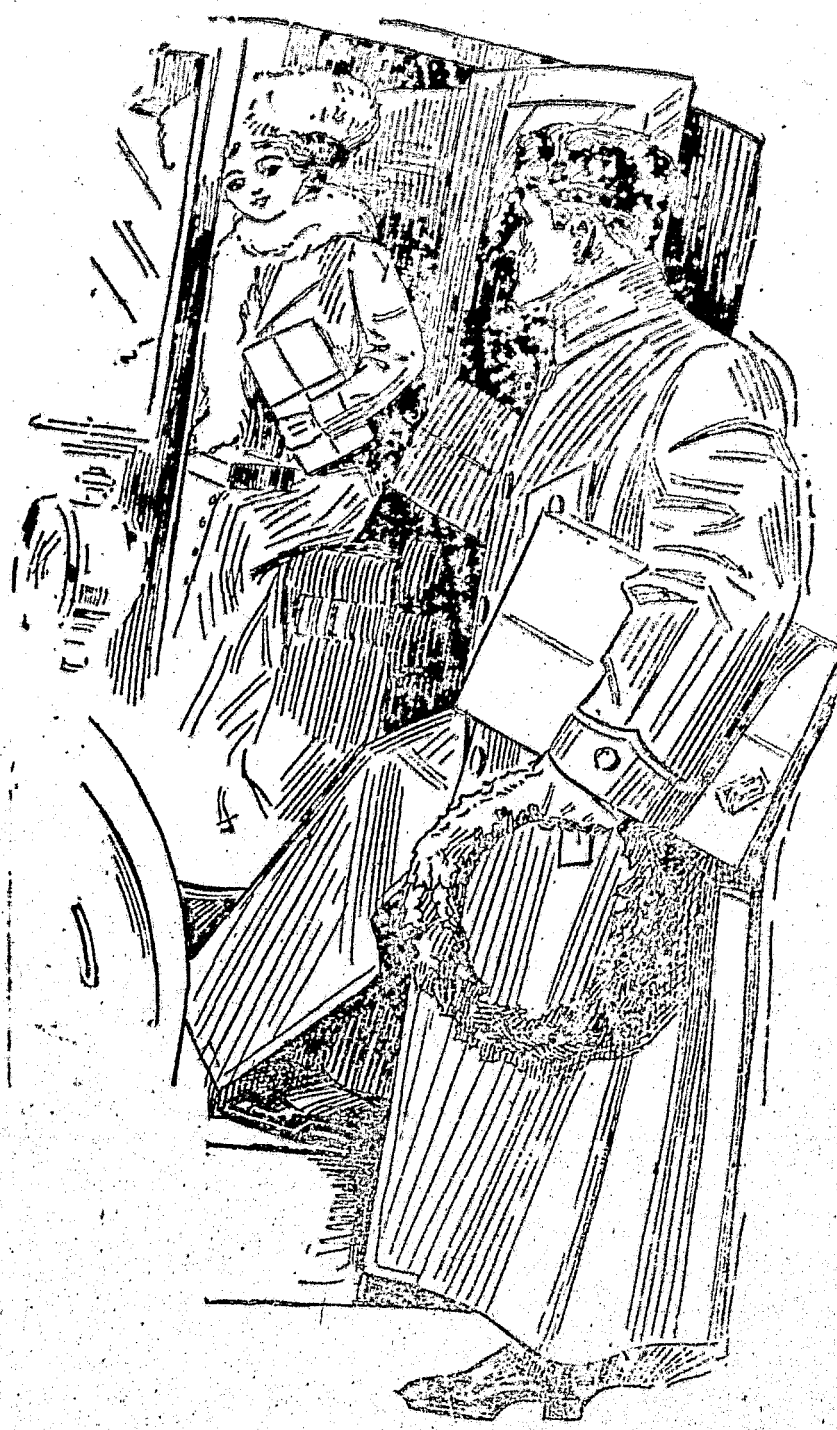
Globe Trading Stamps With All Holiday Purchases. 50-52 E. Main, Xenia, O.

Heid's Caps for Men & Boys

With fur lined ear bands 50c, \$1.50
Stetson Hats \$3.50, \$4 and \$5
New Rough Hats \$1.50, \$2, \$3.

Fancy Vests

New lines \$1.50, \$2, \$3, \$4, \$5
White Wash Vests \$1, \$1.50, \$2, \$3



XMAS GIFTS!

This store was never so well prepared to serve you with gift goods of every kind as now. Your shopping can be done with pleasure as well as a saving. Endless selection of practical gifts and novelty goods of every description at popular prices. Make your purchases while stock is complete

Buy a Fine Tailored Suit for Christmas

\$20 and \$25 Fine Tailored suits in Black and colors, all this season's styles and materials special price.....\$12.70
\$5 Fine Suits that were up to \$20.....\$9.75
Women's long black Winter Coats, excellent values at \$5, \$10, \$12.50, \$15, and up

Silk Waists for Christmas Gifts

New Holiday Styles in Messaline Satin, Chiffon, Waists and Taffetas, in black and all good new colors at \$2.95, \$3.50, \$3.95 and \$4
Silk Petticoats in black and colors and Persian patterns at \$3.50, \$5.00 and \$6.00
\$5 and \$6 Bath Robes for gifts at.....\$2.95

Silk Hose at 50c

Pure Silk Hose for men and women, a very unusual value.....50c
Embroidered Hosiery for Women at 50c, 75c and \$1
Pony Stockings the best made for boys and girls.....25c

Fine Silk Umbrellas

100 Fine Silk Umbrellas, tape edge, Taffeta silk, new mission handles for men and women, a good \$1.50 umbrella value Special price.....\$1.00

Rich Cut Glass for Gifts

Best quality Cut Glass at cut prices, all kinds, smart shapes and articles at a decided saving in price.
Tumblers (for 6 pieces) at.....\$1.25
Nappies and Dishes.....75c and 95c
Cut Glass bowls.....\$1.95 and up
Sugar and Creams.....\$1.75 and up
Etched Tumblers and Goblets.....\$2.00

—GLOVES FOR GIFTS—
Gloves for gifts sold here can be fitted or exchanged after Christmas day.

Endless selection of Gift Umbrellas for men and women, all prices.....\$5

Boxed Neckwear.

New Persian Neckwear for gifts, in Holiday boxes at 25c and 50c
Boxed lace and embroidered neckwear.....25c and 50c
New Boxed Stocks.....25c and 50c

Scarfs

Every color, fine quality, large size.....50c, 75c, \$1 and \$2

Candle Sticks and Shades

Glass Candle Sticks at.....10c, and 25c
Brass Candle Shades at.....10c
Silk Fringed Shades, all colors.....10c
Mission Shades at.....10c
Children's Birthday Candles.....10c

Fine Furs for Gifts

Nothing gives ladies and children more real pleasure than a present of fine Furs.
Nowhere can you see a better selector at popular prices than here.
Women's Black Fur Scarfs, in all the new shapes, and stylish Furs.....\$1.95, \$3.95, \$5 and up to \$35
Women's Black Muffs, in the large new shapes, in all furs at \$1.95, \$2.50, \$3.50 and up to \$20
Children's Fur Sets, in white muffs and scarfs to match at \$1.50, \$2, and \$2.50
Children's Brown and grey fur sets at.....\$1.50 to \$3.50
Children's Rain Capes, silk lined hoods.....\$3.00

..Sheriff's Sale..

(State of Ohio, Greene County, ss.)
Notice is hereby given that I will offer for sale at public auction on the premises of D. S. Ervin at the lime kiln in the Village of Cedarville, Greene County, Ohio, on

TUESDAY, December 20, A. D., '10,

at 1 o'clock P. M., the following described goods and chattels, to-wit

About 125 cords of four foot wood, about one-half car of coal, about 100 bushels of corn, two 3-inch tread wagons, one 4-inch tread wagon, one low iron wheel wagon, one gravel wagon, one water wagon, one mowing machine, two cultivators, one disc drill, one hay rake, one piano box buggy, one pair of platform scales, one 6 horse power boiler, one steam drill, one-half dozen picks, one lot of sewer pipe, six horses, 2 mares, 2 colts, 8 head of milk cows, 8 brood sows, 45 pigs weighing about 50 lbs. each. Cattle and hogs sold on the farm, 1-2 doz. shovels.

TERMS OF SALE, CASH.

Said property having been levied on by me to satisfy an execution issued by the Court of Common Pleas of Hamilton County, Ohio, and to me directed and delivered in the following case No. 150,028 wherein George Mathers et al are plaintiffs and Addison Y. Reid et al are defendants.
HOWARD APPLIGATE,
Sheriff Greene County.

Charles B. Wilby and
O. S. Bryant, Attorneys,

Jobe Brothers & Company,
XENIA OHIO.

Patriotic.
Artist (to tentative customer)—Now, I'll be quite frank with you. I refused a thousand dollars for it from an American, because I don't want it to go out of France, but I'll let you have it for ten.—Bon Vivant.

GET OUR PRICES ON PRINTING

Xenia Merchants Bid For Christmas Shopping.

High-Grade Pianos

\$150.00 UP

Cash or Time.

EVERY PIANO GUARANTEED

Call and see our line of Pianos before buying. You will save \$100.00. Make us prove this.

SUTTON'S MUSIC STORE,

23 Green Street,

Xenia, Ohio.

**This Space Reserved For
Miss Osterly,**

Millinery.

Xenia.

CHRISTMAS

Will Soon Be Here

And now is the time to make your selection and the best place in Xenia or Greene County is

SHELL'S JEWELRY STORE

HERE YOU CAN BUY

Ladies' gold filled Watch from .10 to \$25	Triple Plated Knives and Forks per set.....3.50 to \$4 50
Gents' gold filled Watch from .8 to \$50	Quadruple Plated Knives and Forks, per set.....5 to \$6.50
Ladies' solid gold case from .10 to \$50	You can also see a large line of Sterling Silver Tea, Spoons, set.....4 to \$10
Gents' solid gold Case.....40 to \$100	Sterling Desert Spoons and Forks, per set.....10 to \$16
Also a line of low priced watches for Ladies or Gents from .1 to \$7	
Diamond Rings from.....6 to \$400	
Signet Rings from.....1 to \$16	

AND ALSO FOR A NICE GIFT

Solid gold necklaces, solid gold bracelets, solid gold sleeve buttons, solid gold scarf pins. Also the same line of goods in gold filled. Toilet sets brush, comb, mirror, military brushes, clothes and hat brushes, scarf pins, dress pins, gold and gold filled lockers, and an endless variety of set rings, signet rings, plain rings, band rings, all solid gold, silver and gold thimbles, gilt clocks, chafing and baking dishes, rich cut glass, large line of back combs and hat pins, the largest stock in Xenia.

Special inducement for persons wishing to buy Umbrellas. 25 Per Cent also will give the same discount on Ladies' Gold Brooch Pins.

Kodaks from \$1 to \$20, and all kinds of Kodak supplies. Fine Hand Painted China. In fact a full and large line of goods always to be found in a first-class Jewelry Store.

F. J. H. SCHELL,

Steele Building,

Xenia, Ohio.

SPENDTHRIFT BALZAC.

Extravagance of the Man Who Had a Mountain of Debts.

"With Balzac's rising fame rises the mountain of his debts," writes a critic. "These, starting from his two disastrous years of printing and publishing in Paris, accumulated until at the top of his literary renown he had to hide from his creditors in a garret under the name of his landlady or his washerwoman. In 1837 Balzac, at that date the best known and the most debauched novelist in France, owed 132,000 francs (about \$32,500). Then he must needs buy a cane which was the talk of Paris, some gold buttons for a new coat, a 'divine opera glass' and a dressing gown beyond words and give a dinner to the dandies of the opera respecting which Rossini said that 'he had not seen more magnificence when he dined at royal tables.'"

"Balzac three times a millionaire would still have buried himself in debt, for the mental exaltation of his creative hours was reproduced when he broke loose from the galley bench. He lavished in anticipation the wealth he had dreamed would be his. This gone, he borrowed anew or devised another of those schemes that were to enrich him beyond the possibilities of literature. His schemes were essentially a part of Balzac, the sovereign, unconquerable visionary."

"He would transport oaks from Poland to France—nothing like oaks from Poland to make your fortune three times over! Behold him again gravely working out his plan to make a corner in all the arts and putting up the Apollo Belvedere for competition among the nations—to act as auctioneer to Europe—the 'child man,' as his devoted sister, Mme. Surville, used to call him."

A Motorcycle Parade.

The Curbstone club members were discussing the speed of motorcycles when the ancient carpenter, who had just come in, joined in the conversation.

"Talking about motorcycles," he said, "I took a count of them in front of my house the other evening."

"I noticed that a continual string of them seemed to be coming by the place, so I started in counting. 'By the time I had reached 987 I made a peculiar discovery. I happened to notice by a mark of the tire of the wheel that it was the same motorcycle that I had been tallying."

"The rider went so fast round and round the block that I mistook him for a parade."—Youngstown Telegram.

Disabled.

In an English camp a battalion was being instructed on how to take a convoy through open country. One company was told off to represent a convoy, the men being instructed that they were to represent horses, cows and wagons.

After being halted a short time the advance signal was given, and the convoy moved on, but the major noticed that one man continued to lie down and, galloping up to him in a rage, said, "Man, why don't you advance?"

The soldier replied, "I can't, sir. Major—You can't? What do you mean?"

"I'm a wagon," said the soldier, "and I've got a wheel off."

He Couldn't See.

Little Jack's father was the teacher of the Sunday school class of which Jack was a new member. He had been told that as this was his first Sunday he would not be asked any questions, but he must pay close attention just the same.

So on the way home his father asked him who it was who killed Goliath.

"I don't know. I was sitting on the back seat and couldn't see," was the ready answer.—National Monthly.

Prevaricator.

The word prevaricator is from the Latin and originally meant a straddler with distorted or misshapen legs. In the Roman courts of law the expression was applied to one who in a suit was discovered to be in collusion with his opponent to compass some dishonesty. As falsehood was the necessary part of such a performance, the word by and by came to have the significance at present attached to it.

The Exception.

A cynic had returned from a party in Toronto, given by some "new rich" citizens who were rather ostentatious, but not given to the use of correct English.

"I suppose," said an inquiring friend, "that everything was very well."

"It was," said the cynical youth, with a yawn. "Everything was observed except the rules of syntax."



Sealshipt and Other Oysters

Oysters with a Difference

Sealshipt Oysters

Are packed in a sanitary, germ-proof, enameled case, which is sealed. Tub oysters are packed in a stale, slimy, soggy wooden tub with a loose cover.

Sealshipt Oysters

Are handled only by the men who shuck them at the beds. Tub oysters are tended by the hand—too often grimy—of the railway employees.

Sealshipt Oysters

Are protected from germs by an air-tight, sealed case. Tub oysters are packed in a tub with an ill fitting removable cover, often out of place.

Sealshipt Oysters

Do not come in contact with ice—it is packed around the case. Tub oysters have ice put directly among them, often bruising and contaminating them.

Sealshipt Oysters

Have a delicious piquancy the true "half-shell" flavor. Tub oysters are flat, insipid, with no marked flavor, save that of chemicals.

Christmas Candies, Nuts and Fruits

We have not only the largest but the finest line of CANDIES, NUTS and FRUITS for Christmas treats. Special prices for quantity lots to School Teachers and Sabbath Schools.

H. E. Schmidt & Co.,

South Detroit St.,

Xenia, Ohio.

BALDNER & FLETCHER

No. 42 East Main Street, Xenia, Ohio.

PRACTICAL PLUMBERS

Steam and Hot Water Heating. Gas Fitting. Tin and Iron Roofing and Spouting

We Make a Specialty Of

Picture Framing

Expert workmanship hundreds of new and up-to-date moulding carried in stock. All work done promptly.

Zell's Book Store Xenia, Ohio.

NEAR POST-OFFICE
Stationery and Office Supplies

H
In t g
Ju
Trunks
icure C
cines, l
Boxes

J
42 W. F
Home 'P

RU
led. a
31-3
When y
majority of
better quali
Hot Wa
porters, A
Crutches, 1
Syringes, F
Stockings, J
Bedside Tal
Commodore
Water and
ing, Rubber
Caps, Rubi
Syringes, F
ers, Telepho
KODAK
PHOTO SU
Lawn
Leath
Lace Leath
RUBER
Fishin
Beds. Sna
outwear an
RUBIN

ts
and
ool

Sp
Cutl
Gent
Vali
ties.
Yc
Bew
gain

27

Fanc
New cre
New p
Lippinco
"Edg
to-
We Pay

Mc
io.

TRY

Holiday Presents In the Leather Goods Line

Just a few suggestions for gifts such as Trunks, Traveling Bags, Leather Suit Cases, Manicure Cases, Toilet Cases, Traveling Cases, Moccasins, Music Rolls, Bill Book, Art Leather Jewel Boxes and many others too numerous to mention.

JOHN C. STORCH,

42 W. Fifth Street, Dayton, Ohio.
Home Phone 2535. One square north of P. O.

CHAS. A. GUMP'S RUBBER HOUSE

31-33 East Second Street, Dayton, Ohio.

When you want first-class Rubber Goods, give us a call. The majority of our Rubber Goods are made to our order, and are of better quality than you can find elsewhere.

Hot Water Bags, Fountain Syringes, Bulbs, Abdominal Supporters, Appendicitis Belts, Uterine Supporters, Trusses, Crutches, Tubing, Crutch Tips, Jockey Strops, Hard Rubber Syringes, Rubber Gloves, Rubber Mittens, Atomizers, Elastic Stockings, Knee Caps, Leggings and Anklets, Ankle Supporters, Bedside Tables, Back Rests, Invalid Beds, Rolling Wheel Chairs, Commodes, Bed Pans, Urinals, Invalid Rings, Air Cushions, Water and Air Beds, Pillows, Sanitary Covers, Nursery Sheet, Rubber Dust Caps, Colon and Rectal Tubes, Ice and Bath Caps, Rubber Aprons, Rubber Bands and Sleeves, Ladies' Syringes, Finger Cots, Folding Bath Tubs, Arch Insole Supporters, Telephone Receiver Cushions, Etc.

KODAKS, CAMERAS, FILMS, PLATES, and all kind of PHOTO SUPPLIES.

Lawn Tennis, Base Ball and Gymnasium Outfits. Leather and Rubber Belting, Packings, Waste, Screen Wire, Lace Leathers, Hose and Mill Supplies.

RUBBER HEELS, BEST MADE.

Fishing Tackle, Hooks, Lines, Reels, Nets, Camping Beds, Snag Proof and Gold Seal Rubber Boots and Overshoes outwear any other make.

RUBBER and OIL CLOTHING.

Get the Gift At LINDSEY'S

Special prices on Jewelry, Silverware, Cutlery, Musical Instruments, Guns, Gent's Furnishings, Clothing, Trunks, Valises, Suit Cases and Holiday Novelties.

You are Invited to Call and Examine a Bewildering Display of Tempting Bargains.

T. C. LINDSEY,

27 S. Main St., Dayton, Ohio.

McFarland Bros.

Fancy New Figs Bulk Mince Meat
New crop Peaches, Apricots, and Package Raisins.

New pack, "Sweet Brier" Corn and Tomatoes
Bulk Oysters
Lippincott's Preserves, Bulk Peach and Apple Butter

"Edgemont" Crackers Oyster Crackers
Nice Line of Cookies.

QUALITY GUARANTEED

We Pay Best Prices for "Butter" and "Eggs"

YOUR PATRONAGE SOLICITED

McFarland Bros.

TRY OUR JOB PRINTING

CARRIED OFF BY A LION.

Thrilling Experience of a Ranger in the Transvaal.

Two men at least have given accounts of their sensations when they were carried off by lions—the great explorer Livingstone and a man named Wolhuter, a ranger of game preserves in the Transvaal. Wolhuter's adventure is not secondary in interest to Livingstone's experience. His story, which was attested by the certificate of the magistrate of the district, was substantially as follows:

He was riding along a Kafir path about an hour after sunset. It had been a long march, and he had pushed on ahead of his companions. His dog barked at something, and a moment later Wolhuter saw a lion crouching close to him on the right hand side. The ranger turned his horse sharply, a circumstance that no doubt caused the lion to miss the spring.

Wolhuter was unseated. At the same moment he saw another lion coming from the opposite direction. The horse rushed off, and the first lion in pursuit, and the second lion picked Wolhuter up almost before he touched the ground and gripped him by the right shoulder in such a position that he was face up, with his legs and body dragging underneath the beast. The lion trotted down the path, uttering a loud growling, purring sound.

Wolhuter's sensations were not those of Livingstone, who said he was in a state of apathy, with entire absence of pain during the time the lion had him. The game ranger suffered terribly, both mentally and physically, and saw no possible way of escape. The lion took him nearly 200 yards.

Suddenly Wolhuter bethought him of his sheath knife, which he carried in his belt behind his right hip. On reaching a large tree with overhanging roots the lion stopped, whereupon Wolhuter stabbed him twice in the side with his left hand. It was ascertained afterward that the first stab touched the bottom of the heart and that the second one slit it down for some distance.

The lion immediately dropped Wolhuter, and again the game ranger struck him, this time in the throat, severing an artery.

The lion jumped back and stood facing him, growling. Wolhuter scrambled to his feet, shouting at the top of his lungs. He expected the beast to come at him again, but it did not. Instead, it turned slowly and, still growling, went a few paces. Soon its growling turned to moans. These, in turn, ceased, and the ranger knew that the beast was then dead.

Wolhuter got up the tree as fast as his injured arm would permit, and hardly was he seated when the first lion, which had been after the horse, came back on the trail of blood. By this time the plucky ranger was so faint that he tied himself to the tree to prevent himself from falling out.

He was found by his companions, who took him to a place of safety. The lion he had killed was an old male, and the weapon used was an ordinary sheath knife.—New York Tribune.

Peccolities of Lichens.

The lichen is remarkable for the great age to which it lives, there being good grounds for believing that the plants endure for 100 years. Their growth is exceedingly slow, almost beyond belief, indicating that only a little nourishment is necessary to keep them alive. In a dry time they have the power to suspend growth altogether, renewing it again at the fall of rain. This peculiarity alone is enough to make the lichen a vegetable wonder, as it is a property possessed by no other species of plant. Another interesting fact about lichens is that they grow only where the air is free from dust and smoke. They may be said to be a sure indication of the purity of the air, as they are never found growing in cities and towns where the atmosphere is impregnated with dust, soot, smoke and other impurities.

Tingling Ears.
If your ears burn, people say, some one is talking about you. This is very old, for Pliny says, "When our ears do glow and tingle some do talk of us in our absence."

Shakespeare in "Much Ado About Nothing" makes Beatrice say to Ursula and Hero, who have been talking of her, "What fire is in mine ears?" Sir Thomas Browne ascribes this conceit to the superstition of guardian angels, who touch the right ear if the talk is favorable and the left if otherwise. This is done to cheer or warn.

One ear tingles, some there be That are smiling now at me!

The Advice Seeker.

"When a man asks me for advice," said the good natured person, "I always find myself getting into a discussion."

"Well," replied Mr. Sirius Barker, "most of us ask for advice because we would rather argue than work."

Unseated.

Mr. Recentmarrie (who has plunged a spoon into dish preparatory to helping to the pudding)—Why, Mary, I feel some hard smooth round things in the dish. I wonder what they can be. Mrs. Recentmarrie—Why, they're eggs, John; there are six, just as the recipe says.—Chicago News.

Stupid People.

Traveler—Haven't you a time table? Station Agent—We used to have one until the people began to think the trains were supposed to keep to it.—Fillegende Blatter.

Happiness is reflective, like the light of heaven.—Irving.

IS BEAUTY WORTH YOUR WHILE?

Viola Cream

positively eradicates freckles, moles, black heads, sunburn and tan. It is a skin cleanser, blotches, rough and oily skin to the delicate softness of youth. There is no substitute for this superior harmonizing preparation. The face never attains the greatest skin specialist. At all drug stores or mailed for 50 cents. Special proposition and Guide to Beauty on request. Viola Cream Soap—best for toilet, nursery and bath. C. F. BROWN CO., Toledo, Ohio.

The Rajah of Buxton.

The rajahs of Buxton are hybrid rajputs, claiming to be of the family of the moon, and have reigned in Buxton for between five and six hundred years. The family bears the name of Rathguthy, and every year the rajah has to sit on the throne at the festival of the Dusseerath wearing the jewels of the goddess Danteswarra, the tutelary goddess of the state, which are brought from Danteswarra temple for the purpose.

"Give for the jewels he is clad only in wreaths of flowers," says a writer in the Wide World, "and when we saw him he looked very solemn—almost ashamed of himself—as he passed us."

"In connection with this ceremony there used to be a brutal custom of dragging the rajah, a huge sort of tug-gigant carrying many tons, over the bodies of live buffaloes, often only partly killing them."

"This horrible practice was stopped by British officials."

Indispensable.

Three camels presented themselves at the dock where the ark was tied up, whereas but two animals of a kind had been called for.

"One of you fellows will have to step aside," shouted Noah very peremptorily.

But the three ships of the desert smiled knowingly.

"I," said the first of them, "am the camel which shall pass through the eye of a needle sooner than a rich man shall enter the kingdom of heaven."

"I," said the second, "am the camel who will swallow many people while straining at a gnat."

"And I," said the third and last, "am the camel whose back was broken by the last straw."

Whereupon Noah, perceiving that posterity could ill spare any of these and would be lost for illustrations without them, graciously met an exception in their favor.—Puck.

A Famous Vine.

In the Cumberland Lodge portion of the royal gardens at Windsor there is a vine, known all over England as the Cumberland Lodge vine, which is a shoot of a still older vine which grows at Hampton Court, but the shoot has far outdistanced its parent in dimensions and productiveness. In England grapes are generally grown under glass, and the Cumberland Lodge vine has a great glass structure, 120 feet long by 20 wide, all to itself. Growing with astonishing luxuriance, the vine spreads itself over a roof area of 2,400 square feet and bears annually a crop of approximately a thousand huge bunches of the finest flavored grapes. These grapes are frequently found on the royal table, and the subject who is presented with a basket of them considers himself highly favored. The shoot from which the great vine has grown was planted in 1775.

"Christmas is only a little more than a week away"

WREN'S

SPRINGFIELD, OHIO.

THIS STORE IS HELPFULLY READY
WITH NEW AND NOVEL GIFTS AS
WELL AS PRACTICAL ONES FOR
THE ENTIRE FAMILY

We cannot lay too much stress upon our interesting showing of medium priced gifts. For months past strenuous effort has been made in this direction and never has our immense stocks represented so many helpful ideas for so little money.

Inexpensive, Yet Useful Suggestions

Are in evidence whichever way you turn on any of the floors of this GREAT CHRISTMAS STORE. You won't have to search for them. To those who are economically inclined, yet particular, and to the undecided WREN'S BIG DEPARTMENT STORE is the place to come and will prove a royal friend indeed in the selection of your Christmas gifts.

If you live within 40 miles of Springfield, we will refund your round trip fare, if you make purchases of \$15.00 or over. Or we pay fare for 80 continuous miles.

"It Certainly Pays to Trade at WREN'S"

Christmas Gifts of Merit

Wouldn't you like to give a Diamond, a Watch, any kind of Jewelry or Fine Cut Glass for Christmas? Nothing is more appropriate or more appreciated. The value of the article will depend largely on the place it is purchased. Buy at the store that has behind it a record of 83 years of continual business and each year adds to its list of pleased customers. This store is H. BEST & SON, 33 N. Main Street.

CUFF BUTTONS

When in doubt, give a pair of Cuff Buttons. They make a useful lasting present.

WATCHES

A watch is always a welcome gift. We have them; all prices, best makes and all guaranteed.

DIAMONDS

Always make the most perfect gift, especially if you get fine grade Diamonds. There is no jewelry or anything you buy you are so completely at the mercy of the jeweler's judgment and honesty. If you want quality you need go no further.

SCARF PINS—BROOCHES

Either filled or solid gold, handsome patterns, make one of the nicest presents.

CUT GLASS

Our assortment is all selected from the best makers. Fine quality what we keep.

SILVERWARE

Our assortment is large. No trouble to find what you want in Silver.

LOCKETS

All prices, styles and quality with or without chains, make a very acceptable present.

1828

H. N. Best & Son,

1910

33 North Main Street,

Dayton, Ohio

In Planning to Purchase

Christmas Presents

Do not overlook the fact that it is important to purchase an Enduring Gift. The name

TIFFANY on the jewelry box signifies quality.

There is nothing as nice for Christmas as something in the way of Jewelry—a diamond, a watch, spoons, a clock, silverware, cut glass and the almost endless variety of attractions found in a first-class jewelry store. This store has the Largest Stock to select from in its history. Everything up-to-date. Many novelties to enlist your attention. Avoid the rush incident to the last days before Christmas. Come now and make your selection. Take advantage of two important things—Ample Time and a Complete Stock.

This Is the Place for Real Bargains
Engraving Free.

The Tiffany Jewelry Store,

South Detroit St.,

Xenia, Ohio.

It's All in the Making

Whether clothes fit or not. That is where we excel. Whether we succeed or not, you can judge by the fact that the best dressed men in Greene County almost without exception patronize us.

Poorly made clothes always look cheap, while those made by us have comfort, style and elegance and give perfect satisfaction, both in wear and price.

Kany, The Leading Tailor,

N. Detroit St.,

Xenia, Ohio.

This month's Butterick Patterns are 10c and 15c—none higher.

A CHRISTMAS FAIRY STORY.

By AILEEN ORR.

THREE was once upon a time a little black boy called Billy. He had lived all his short life in a black camp with his parents and a number of other aborigines of the tribe. Billy had never been very kindly treated, and as he had a soft heart himself he sometimes felt it very much.

Now, one Christmas time, being left alone as usual, with no presents of any sort and no treat, he began to think of all the stories he had heard about the white children's Christmas and determined then and there to find out what it was really like. He had heard of the Christmas hills in a country many miles off and planned to go there, believing from their name that these must contain all the mysteries of Santa Claus and other joys from which he had always been isolated.

With a loving farewell to his own mia mia—the little shelter of branches which he had built for himself against the thunderstorms—he set off with only a piece of opossum skin hung round his waist for clothing and a boomerang in his hand.

Billy journeyed for many hours over paddocks and wire fences, wading bravely through creeks, water holes and bracken undergrowth, where the snakes were very numerous and poisonous. He found himself in a beautiful valley between a blue and a purple mountain. Approaching a vineyard, he asked an old gardener where the Christmas hills lay.

"Yonder," said the man, pointing straight in front of them toward the blue mountains. "This is Yarra Glen."

The little black boy was very hot and thirsty, for the sun had been beating fiercely upon him all the way along, so he begged a few of the round juicy grapes which hung in rich profusion on the vines.

"By all means," said the good natured gardener as he picked him the largest bunch he could find, ripe and inviting, with the bloom upon them. Billy thanked him, saying he hoped some time to be able to return his kindness, and, taking the fruit, he continued his way with a light heart.

As he climbed and climbed, rising higher and higher, the green grew smaller and smaller below him till he could not see the old man any more. Soon the hill became so steep and slippery that he was forced to dig himself up from tree to tree by holding first on to one branch and then another. Blue gum and wattles rose high above him in monotonous grandeur till he began to wonder where the Christmas trees



"GIVE ME SOME KIND YOUTH."

"I am dying," groaned the other feebly. "Have pity."

Whereupon, moved to sympathy, he gave her all he had left.

To his astonishment as she was eating them she turned into a lovely fairy queen all dressed in soft, shimmering blue, the color of the sky.

"As you have done me a service," she said, "I mean to reward you in the way you most want. You shall have a real Australian Christmas."

Billy was overjoyed and at her bidding followed her through the bush till they reached a wonderful garden filled with brilliant flowers and fruit which surpassed his wildest dreams. Strawberries grew in masses all along the borders, and the trees were laden with luscious ripe peaches, nectarines, figs and every other southern fruit he had ever thought or heard of in or out of season.

Here they entered, and the blue fairy summoned ten other little fairies just Billy's own size and age to wait upon and entertain him. They were all in different colors, so that as they flitted about him in the sunlight with their floating gossamer gowns they looked like a rainbow.

Feast the little dainty boy; Give him pudding, fruit and toy; Sing and dance and merry make; Don't forget the Christmas cake For the goodly dainty boy!

Having sung and danced for him, they then set the Christmas dinner on a long, narrow table out in the garden. There were strawberries and cream, and grape cake, mince pies (Gardener made so many that Christmas he never missed those the fairies stole), chocolates, pineapple dumplings, and last, but most important, instead of a hot plum pudding with holly, as the cold countries have, there was a huge ice cream pudding, with precious stones instead of raisins through it, and a piece of yellow wattle blossoms stuck in the top.

Five fairies sat at one side of the table and five at the other, while Billy sat at the foot, and the blue queen at the head. They filled their glasses with magic wine, so that all who drank would be lucky all the

new year round. Each fairy's wine matched her dress: the green one had green wine, the pink one pink wine, and so on till it came to Billy, and he was black with a crimson light in it, and he thought it more delicious than anything he had ever tasted. Then they were given each a large slice of the grape cake, and afterward anything they wanted till they had no appetite left for only the ice pudding, which on such a hot day was most refreshing. Each fairy found to her share a precious stone again to match her dress. The yellow fairy got a topaz, the heliotrope an amethyst, the blue a sapphire, and so on till it came to Billy, who, after eating for some time, suddenly closed his white teeth upon something very hard and, taking it out and looking at it, found it was an opal with every one of the fairy colors combined gleaming in it.

All the fairies gathered round him and exclaimed, "That is a magic opal, and the owner of it will some day become chief of his tribe." Right then, he put it in his mouth under his tongue for safety, for, as he had no clothes, of course he had no pocket.

The fairies then, seeing he had no pocket, presented him instead, for a Christmas box, with a new boomerang, telling him it was a charmed one, so that whenever he wanted anything he had only to throw the weapon high into the air and it would return with the object of his choice and lay it at his feet.

But alas, there was a wicked little goblin peeping through from the bough of a peach tree, and, though he had not heard about or seen the boomerang, he had caught all regarding the magic opal and had seen Billy place it under his tongue. So when the little black boy had bidden goodby, thanking the fairies for his Christmas feast, and started home again he was waylaid in the bush by the evil goblin, who had followed him out of the garden to rob him. Billy refused to give up his stone and cried for help, but the goblin knocked him down and beat him till he lost consciousness. Then the wicked creature forced open his mouth, stole the magic opal and ran away with it as fast as he could. When poor Billy recovered he soon noticed that the opal was gone and guessed who had taken it, but he was in despair of ever finding it again, so, sitting miserably on the ground, he opened his mouth wide and cried loud and loud. But this he soon realized

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own



THE GIBLIN KNOCKED THE AIR AND HIM DOWN.

would return with the object of his choice and lay it at his feet.

But alas, there was a wicked little goblin peeping through from the bough of a peach tree, and, though he had not heard about or seen the boomerang, he had caught all regarding the magic opal and had seen Billy place it under his tongue. So when the little black boy had bidden goodby, thanking the fairies for his Christmas feast, and started home again he was waylaid in the bush by the evil goblin, who had followed him out of the garden to rob him. Billy refused to give up his stone and cried for help, but the goblin knocked him down and beat him till he lost consciousness. Then the wicked creature forced open his mouth, stole the magic opal and ran away with it as fast as he could. When poor Billy recovered he soon noticed that the opal was gone and guessed who had taken it, but he was in despair of ever finding it again, so, sitting miserably on the ground, he opened his mouth wide and cried loud and loud. But this he soon realized

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I can do my best," said Billy.

"There is only one thing I want," said the gardener sadly, "and that is the little daughter I lost in the bush a year ago."

No sooner said than the boomerang went whizzing through the air as before, and in a few moments it came floating swiftly back through the blue haze with a little fair-haired child seated happily and safely upon it. With joy too deep for words, the old man clasped her in his arms, and Billy triumphantly left them together and journeyed on again over paddocks and wire fences till at last he found his own

was a silly, useless thing to do. Just then he spied his boomerang, which he had quite forgotten, on the ground nearby, and, remembering what the blue fairy had told him, he picked it up, and, jumping to his feet, he threw it skillfully high into the air.

Away it swung without touching the trees, and, sure enough, as the goblin, a couple of miles off, was just admiring his plunder, the boomerang lifted it out of his hand, before his very eyes and carried it back to the feet of its rightful owner. Billy shouted for joy, and, putting it once more in his mouth, he took his wonderful toy under his arm and sped down the hill. When he reached the vineyard he saw the gardener still at work, so, asking him what he would most like as a token of gratitude for the grapes, the old man looked him up and down and answered, "There is not much a little fellow like you could do for me."

"I

F. G. MEYER

JEWELER AND OPTICIAN

A Most Beautiful Line

=of=

Christmas and Holiday Goods.

134 South Main Street,

DAYTON, - OHIO.

Useful Gifts

Make the Happiest Christmas

This store is prepared to supply you with useful and serviceable gifts, the kind that will be appreciated. SELECT YOUR GIFTS NOW AND WE WILL SAVE THEM FOR YOU.

- MEN'S HOUSE SLIPPERS, black or tan in Cavalier, Romeo, Everett and Opera patterns, all sizes and ranging in price from \$3 to 50c
- MEN'S FINE HOSE in heavy Hile and pure silk, all colors, plain and fancy at 50c
- MEN'S FINE PATENT LEATHER DRESS SHOES, lace, blucher and button styles, all sizes and patterns 4, 3 and \$2.50
- MEN'S EXTRA FINE PURE SILK HOSE, reinforced heels and toes, all colors at \$1
- MEN'S HUNTING BOOTS, high tops, black, tan or Elk leathers, all sizes \$11 to \$2.50
- LADIES' FINE TRIMMED FELT SLIPPERS, made with medium and low heels in black, brown, gray and green, all sizes \$2 to 75c
- LADIES' FINE SILK Lisle ONYX HOSE, all colors at 50c
- LADIES' FINE DRESS SHOES, patent colt leather, lace, blucher and button patterns, welt or turn soles, tips or plain toes, mat calf or black cloth tops, all sizes from \$5 to \$2.50
- LADIES' FINE HOUSE, PARTY AND DANCING SLIPPERS made of patent colt, black suede and bright or dull kid leather, high or low heels and with one to four straps, turn soles, all sizes, from \$4 to \$1
- LADIES' FINE PURE SILK HOSE (Onyx) extra fine qualities, in all colors \$2.75 to \$1
- LADIES' FINE DRESS SHOES, black buck, black suede and velvet, button pattern, welt soles at \$5, \$3.50 and \$3
- BOYS' DRESS AND SCHOOL SHOES, all leathers and sizes, lace or button, at \$3 to \$1.25
- BOYS' HIGH CUT BOOTS, black or tan, for dress or hard wear, at \$3 to \$1.75
- GIRLS' DRESS AND SCHOOL SHOES, all leathers, blucher or button patterns at \$3 to \$1.75
- GIRLS' HIGH CUT LACE OR BUTTON BOOTS, all leathers in all sizes at \$3 to \$1.75
- CHILD'S FINE FOOT SHOES, black or red kid, tan, gunmetal, and patents, with colored tops \$3 to \$1
- CHILD'S HIGH TOP BOOTS, colored tops, \$2 values at \$1.50

Nisley, In The Arcade

Springfield's Largest and Best Shoe House.

If You Are not Familiar

With our line, we want you to take the first opportunity to call and look it over. We specialize on exclusive imported novelties in Brass, Copper, Gun Metal and Leather Fine Stationery, Christmas and Motto Cards, Etc.

In our Optical Department will be found a line of Field and Opera Glasses, Lorgnettes, Barometers, Thermometers, Readers, Etc., which cannot be duplicated elsewhere.

Geo. F. Merry,

(New Location) Beckel House Block, Dayton, O.
33 E. 3rd Street,

TRY OUR JOB PRINTING

Cliff of Natural Glass.
A cliff of natural glass can be seen in Yellowstone park. It is half a mile long and from 150 to 200 feet high, the material of which it consists being as good glass as that artificially manufactured. The dense glass, which forms the base is from seventy-five to a hundred feet thick, while the upper portion, having suffered and survived many ages of wind and rain, has naturally worn much thinner. Of course the color of the cliff is not that of natural glass—transparent and white—but is mostly black and in some places mottled and streaked with brownish red and shades of olive green and brown.

Exclusive.
At an evangelistic service at Glasgow the preacher at the end of his address cried, "Now, all you good people who mean to go to heaven with me, stand up!" With a surge of enthusiasm the audience sprang to its feet, all but an old Scotchman in the front row, who sat still. The horrified evangelist, wringing his hands and, addressing him, said, "My good man, my good man, don't you want to go to heaven?" Clear and deliberate came the answer, "Aye, Awm gangin, but no wi' a paitionally conducted pairty!"—St. James Gazette.

Kindly Fruits.
The expression in the prayer book "Kindly fruits of the earth" has for most persons no definite meaning on account of the difference in significance now attached to the word kindly from that used when the expression was first written. The word kindly in that connection meant as nearly as possible "of its kind," and the expression "kindly fruits of the earth" meant "the fruits of the earth each after its kind."

Why Waste His Breath?
Teacher—Now, Tommy, suppose you had two apples and you gave another boy his choice of them. You would tell him to take the bigger one, wouldn't you? Tommy—No, mum. Teacher—Why? Tommy—Cos 'twouldn't be necessary.—Suburban Life.

Fairly Warned.
He—My dear, I can't afford to buy you that hat. She—Still, you'd save money if you did. He—How so? She—Because I'll just be ill if I don't have it, and you know what doctors' bills are.

Hit Both Ways.
"It ain't no fun bein' a kid," observed a boy bitterly. "You always haffer go to bed when you ain't sleepy an' get up when you are."—Toledo Blade.

It is worth a thousand pounds a year to have the habit of looking at the bright side of things.—Johnson.

London's Vast Wealth.
London, in monetary value, is worth two and a half times as much as Paris.

Merediths Music Store.

DAYTON, O.

Now

Located At

131 S. LUDLOW,

New Cappel Bld'g

Second Largest Stock

in Ohio.

HELP US GROW

The Magpie Ceiling.
One of the apartments in the ancient royal palace at Oporto, Portugal, is known as the Hall of Magpies. Painted in the arabesque ceiling is to be found a swarm of magpies. Each has in the mouth a scroll, on which, painted in red on a white ground, are the words, "Por bem." The story runs that King John of Portugal was making love to one of the maids of honor in this chamber, and was surprised by the queen. His majesty made the best of the circumstances and explained to the queen, "E por bem minha sacra" ("Oh, it is nothing at all. It is quite right. There is no harm in it"). As to whether the queen was satisfied the legend is silent, but the ladies of the court were deeply interested and were constantly saying to one another with a smile, "Por bem! Por bem!" The king thought it time to act, so he commissioned an artist to paint on the ceiling as many magpies as there were talkative ladies about the court, each holding in the beak the ribbon with the words, "Por bem."—London Globe.

Fate of Portugal's Homer.
"The Lusiad" is one of the noblest records ever written of national glory and success. Camoens, its gifted author, determined to do for Portugal what Homer had done for Greece. The great poem was written in the sixteenth century, which has been called the heroic age of Portugal, and its main feature is the rounding of the Cape of Good Hope by Vasco da Gama, while a most interesting episode is the crowning after death of Inez de Castro, the queen of Portugal. "The Lusiad" took its name from Lusitania, who was said to have founded Lisbon. Its author was born about 1520, and his career, which began brilliantly, was blighted by the death of a broken heart of the lady of his love, for whose sake he was banished from the land. He wrote "The Lusiad" in his banishment and was recalled in 1571, losing on the way all his property except his poem. Pensioned at first by the king, this great epic poet of Portugal died in great poverty in 1580, when his patron was also dead.

Down in a Coal Mine.
To the ear accustomed to the constant sound of a living world the stillness of a coal mine, where the miles of crosscuts and entries and the unyielding walls swallow up all sounds and echo is a silence that is complete, but as one becomes accustomed to the silence through long hours of solitary work sounds become audible that would escape an ear less trained. The trickling murmur of the gas, the spattering fall of a lump of coal loosened by some mysterious force from a cranny in the wall, the sudden knocking and breaking of a stratum far up in the rock above or the scurry of a rat off somewhere in the darkness strike on the ear loud and startling. The eye, too, becomes trained to penetrate the darkness, for the darkness is so complete that there is a limit—the limit of the rays cast by the pit lamp.—Joseph Husband in Atlantic.

Portuguese and Codfish.
It is an interesting fact that the fishermen of northern Portugal started and developed the fishing industry on the "banks" of the northern coast of America, and though they now send fewer ships, their taste for salt cod from Newfoundland is unabated—in fact, it is a national Portuguese delicacy. It is found in every little grocery shop, and is known as a board. A number of Portuguese have made their home on the islands to the south of the mainland of Massachusetts, and there the dark eyes of the Iberian maiden, raven locks and a certain picturesque element in dress are not infrequent. This connection with Portugal dates back many years, the ships of Marthas Vineyard bridging the distance over sea and returning with Portuguese crews.—Exchange.

Adam and Eve.
"I hope this expulsion of ours is not going to injure our social position," said Eve ruefully.
"I guess not," replied Adam. "They can't stop us from being one of the very first families, whatever they do."
"I don't find our names here in the 'Social Register,'" said Eve, looking the volume over.
"Look under 'Biblical Domestics; my love,'" said Adam as he went out and named the jackass after himself.—Harper's Weekly.

A Pithy Sermon.
Here is the pithiest sermon ever preached: "Our ingress into life is naked and bare, our progress through life is trouble and care, our egress out of it we know not where; but, doing well here, we shall do well there. I could not tell more by preaching a year."

Wanted It Well Hidden.
Little Bobby was too polite to say he wanted a big piece of the turkey, but he said he would like a piece of the chest, where the wishbone was, only he didn't want to find the wishbone too quick.—Browning's Magazine.

It Was This Way.
"I suppose the father gave the bride away."
"Not exactly. He gave a million away and threw her in."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Excluded.
Ascum—Well, and how is the baby to be named? Poppley—By my wife's people, it seems.—Exchange.

A long, slow friendship is the best; a long, slow enmity the deadliest.—Merriam.

Piles or Smiles?
A POSITIVE GUARANTEE
to immediately relieve and ultimately cure with
DR. HEBRAS UNGOID
the most famous scientific discovery of modern times for the severest cases of Itching Piles, Hemorrhoids, Polyps, Salt Rheum, Ring Worm, Eczema, etc. This is the only medical preparation that kills the germ, relieves the irritation, and cures the disease permanently. Absolute satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded.
Price 50 cts. at Druggists, or mailed. Trial sample 2 cents to cover mailing.
THE G. C. BITTNER CO., Toledo, Ohio.

Buy Your Practical Gifts For

Men and Boys

From a Complete Men's Store During the Coming Week.



Smoking Jackets and Bath Robes.

All-wool House Coats, made of double faced fabrics in new colorings and designs \$4, \$4.50, \$5, \$5.50 to \$10
Blanket Robes, in bright serviceable colors, cut full and long, with neck cord and girdle to match \$3 to \$5
Gloves \$2, \$2.50, \$4, \$4.50 to \$5

Children's Mitts, white, blue, tan, brown, gray; cord attached; packed in nice holiday box, per pair \$1.00

Nice Line Mocha gloves, lined \$2 to \$3.50

Combination Suits for Men and Young Men

Ties and Suspenders to match, packed in a neat Christmas box \$50c, \$1, \$1.50

Handkerchief and Tie to match, packed in Holiday box, per box \$1, \$1.50

Shirts

Why not give "him" a shirt or two for Xmas. Surely a serviceable and practical present. We display enormous assortments of fine shirts in beautiful patterns—an exhaustive array of plain or pleated bosoms, from \$1 to \$5.00

Men's Suits and Overcoats

Hart, Schaffner and Marx Make

\$18, \$20, \$22, \$25 to \$30

Michael Stern Co. Make—

\$10, \$12, \$15, \$18 to \$20

Boy's Suits and Overcoats.

All the latest styles and colors—

\$3 to \$10

The Surprise Store,

28 and 30 East 3rd Street,

Dayton, Ohio

Dayton's Leading Men's Clothing Store.

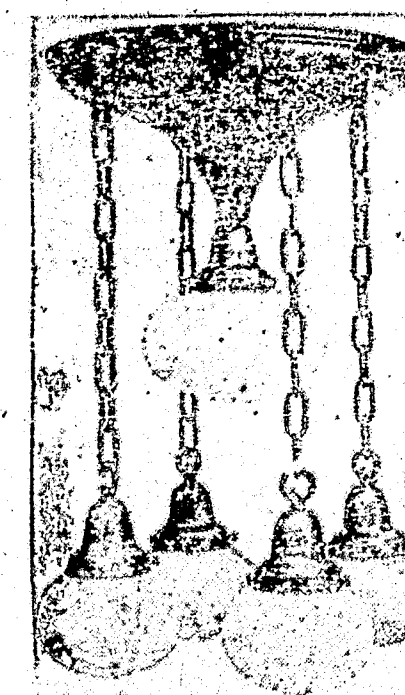
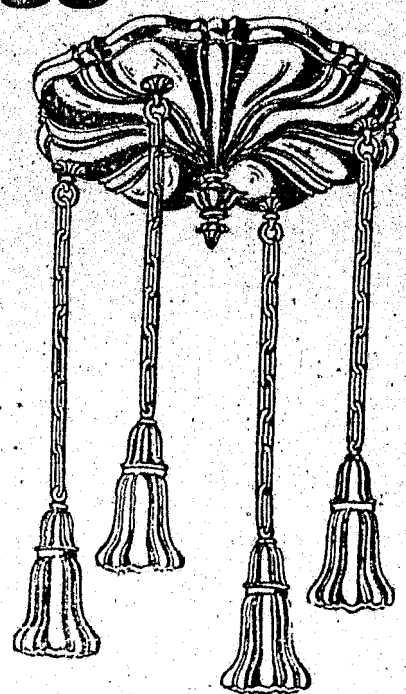
A Christmas Suggestion A Shower Light

in the dining room or living room will prove a cheerful, ornamental addition to the home—a gift that will be appreciated the year around.

Showers, \$15 and Higher

Portables, \$3.50 and up

Don't fail to visit our display room.



Attention!

You Builders of Homes, Stores and Factories

Our argument is a common sense. Your building must be lighted. You must have fixtures. Will you purchase from a retailer or will you purchase from a manufacturer who can save you the retailer's and the jobber's profit? We are manufacturers and carry the most complete line of Fixtures, Bells, Shades and Showers to be found in this vicinity. Don't buy your fixtures until you have seen our line and secured our prices. They are right—and by that we mean the best quality at the lowest price.

Special Sale

Our Art Glass Bells. Come now and select your holiday presents. Goods will be sold at 10% and 15% off Christmas on small orders. Open every Saturday evening until Christmas.

M. J. Gibbons,

PLUMBING - HEATING - LIGHTING

20 - 22 W. 3rd St., Dayton, O.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. *E. W. Merck* on every box, 25c. Cures Croup in Two Days.

Seven Million boxes sold in past 12 months. This signature, E. W. Merck

CORDWAINERS.

History of This Ancient Craft of Workers in Leather.

Of the ancient and influential guilds of London the cordwainers have a history second to none. They were first incorporated by Henry IV. in 1140, and in 1439 their charter was made to include all workers in leather within a distance of two miles of the city boundary. Later their control was extended over the London leather markets.

Cordwaining means working in Cordovan leather. These artisans had gathered themselves into an association at an early period. They were originally located on the fringe of the old city of London where the Roman power was predominant in Britain. Here they remained for many centuries, their industry forming one of the staple trades of the country. The craft had long been recognized as an important factor in molding the municipal life of English towns. For instance, the Gilda Corvassorum of Oxford in the twelfth century was successful in obtaining from Henry I. a royal charter upon payment of an annual fine of one ounce of gold.

In the old days the cordwainer, the tanner and the currier had separate rights in the preparing of alum leather, tan leather and working cowhides. The cordwainer was to make boots and shoes of calf's hide. No master was to keep more than eight servants, and the carrying of shoes through the streets for sale was permitted only before dinner.

The first ordinance establishing the Cordwainers' company was granted in 1272 by the will and consent of the mayor and the other barons of the city of London "for the relief and the advancement of the whole business and to the end that all frauds and deceits may hereafter be avoided." In the following reign the prices allowed to be charged for shoes were 12 cents for a pair of shoes of Cordovan leather and 10 cents for a pair of cowhide shoes.

Nowadays the Cordwainers' company exists primarily to keep up its traditions, give its members banquets and incidentally to promote technical education and contribute to charities. Its income is \$46,500 a year.—Baltimore American.

Reasoning.

"Doctor, what's the matter with me?"

"How do you feel?"

"Awfully sick at my stomach."

"It is probably a disturbance confined to the interior of the principal enlargement or dilatation of your alimentary canal, superinduced by the introduction of some unobscured substance or by the undue distention of its tissues in consequence of a superfluous agglomeration of otherwise innocuous material and necessitating as a remedial measure merely abstention from the deglutition and absorption of nutrient articles until amelioration supervenes."

"Gracious sakes! Is there any cure for that?"

"Oh, yes; just go without eating until you feel better."—Chicago Tribune.

Most Valuable Faculty.

"The late William James," said a Bostonian, "used to smile at the brain tag that so often attacks the American business man. Professor James had his own opinion of the average business man's hard work. He thought that brain tag came more frequently from an excess of whisky and tobacco than from an excess of mental application."

"Apropos of this he used to tell a story about a little boy who asked his father:

"Papa, what is executive ability?"

"Executive ability, my son," the father replied, "is the faculty of earning your bread by the sweat of other people's brows."—Washington Star.

The Bayeux Tapestry.

The famous Bayeux tapestry is supposed to have been wrought by Matilda, queen of William I. or, as is held by some other authorities, to have been made under the direction of his brother, Odo, bishop of Bayeux. It is twenty inches wide, 230 feet long and is divided into seventy-two compartments, showing the events from a visit of Harold to the Norman court to his death at Hastings. The tapestry is in the public library of Bayeux, near Caen.

Worse Than He Thought.

"Now, don't tell me any story about misfortune and wanting to be a hard worker and all that," said a woman severely to a beggar, "I can see through you."

"Gracious," exclaimed the mendicant, "I know I ain't 'ad nuffin' to eat for three days, but I didn't know it 'ad thinned me like that!"—London Mail.

Piles or Smiles?

A POSITIVE GUARANTEE

to immediately relieve and ultimately cure with

DR. HEBRAS UNGOID

the most wonderful scientific discovery of modern times for the removal of itching, pain, hemorrhoids, piles, hemorrhoids, itching, burning, soreness, etc., etc. The highly medicated ointment kills the germ, relieves the trouble and heals the irritation permanently. Absolute satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Write to Dr. Hebras, 210 N. 1st St., St. Louis, Mo., or mail order, sample a cent to cover mailing.

THE S. C. BITTNER CO., Toledo, Ohio.



ALL GOODS MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES

THE HOUSE OF A THOUSAND

Xmas Bargains

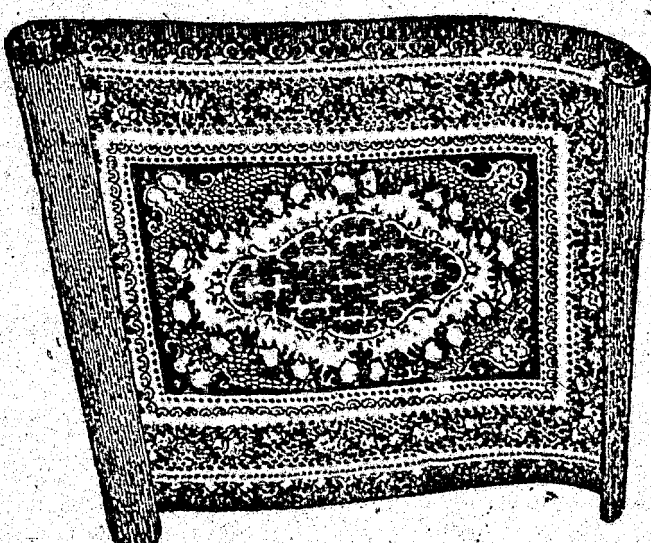
THE STERLING'S immense displays of bargains in useful household articles are proving a boom to the myriads of shoppers. Our stock is so variegated that here one finds articles adapted to all purposes, and as Holiday presents, suited to all, whether it be for mother, father, husband, wife, sister, son, daughter, sweetheart, friend or whatever the relationship.

However, do not overlook the fact that, no matter what the season, the necessities and comforts and the modest luxuries of home can be found in inexhaustible profusion in our four great floors.

Now the easiest part about making your purchases at the Sterling is the paying. "The Sterling Way" is the liberal and reliable way, and you can put comfort in your home or buy presents for your friends, here on "The Sterling's" famous plan.

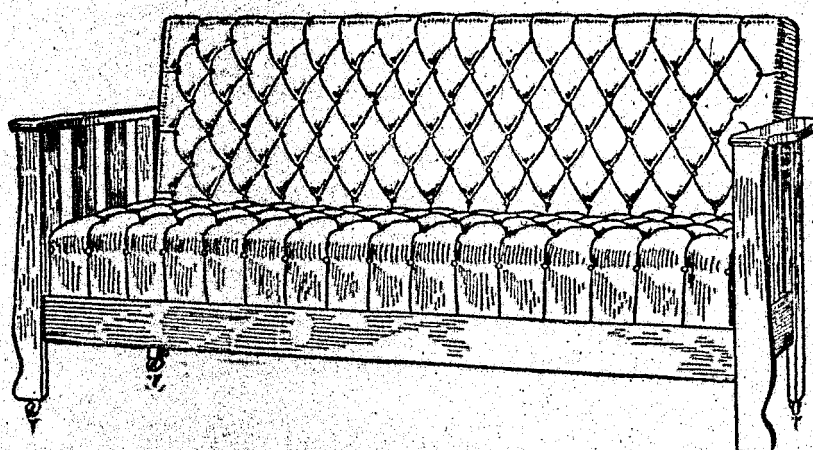
It will pay you to shop early in Springfield, at the Sterling

No Matter What Prices Others Advertise: It's Cheaper Here



This 9x12 Puritan Brussels Rug, in many Oriental and floral designs.

\$9.75



(Exactly like cut.)

THIS BED DAVENPORT

The most remarkable value you have ever been offered. Covered with Boston leather, a \$22.00 value for

16.75

THIS GLASS COFFEE MILL

Is entirely new, economical, simple and sanitary. Equipped with one pound glass canister which keeps contents fresh and airtight. Receiving glass is held secure with springs. Is regulated to grind fine, medium and coarse. No housewife should be without this modern convenience.

Regular price, \$1.50.

HOLIDAY SPECIAL

59c



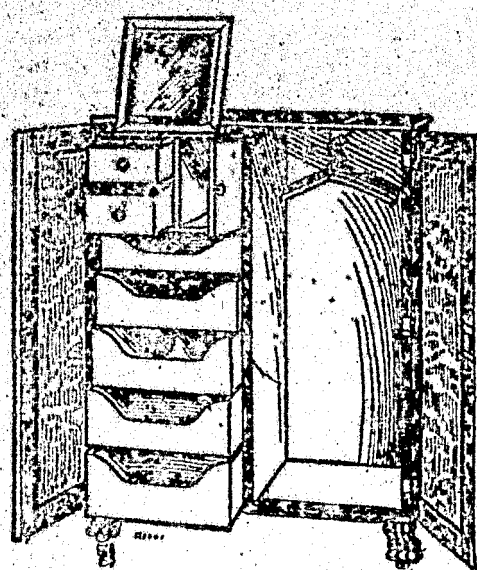
THIS HIGH GRADE CABINET

\$7.75

This high-grade Kitchen Cabinet is made of the ever-popular satin walnut, full size and well constructed throughout. The base has two large flour bins and two large drawers. Top cabinet is equipped with roomy china cabinet, also large and small drawer. We wish to impress upon you that this is not a small cabinet, as is usually offered at this price, but one of unusual large size, never before retailing for less than \$13.75.

HOLIDAY SPECIAL

\$7.75

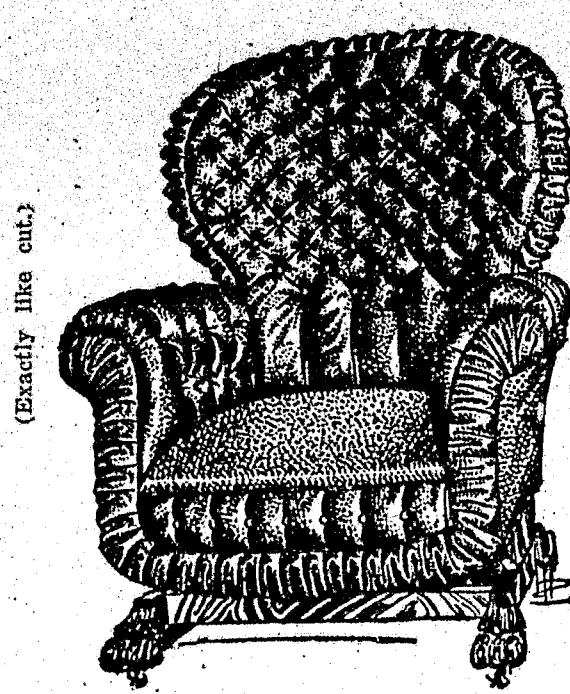


(Exactly like cut.)

This Wardrobe Chiffonier, an ideal gift for men, made of genuine quartered oak, has all the compartments necessary for men's wardrobe.

HOLIDAY PRICE

\$18.75

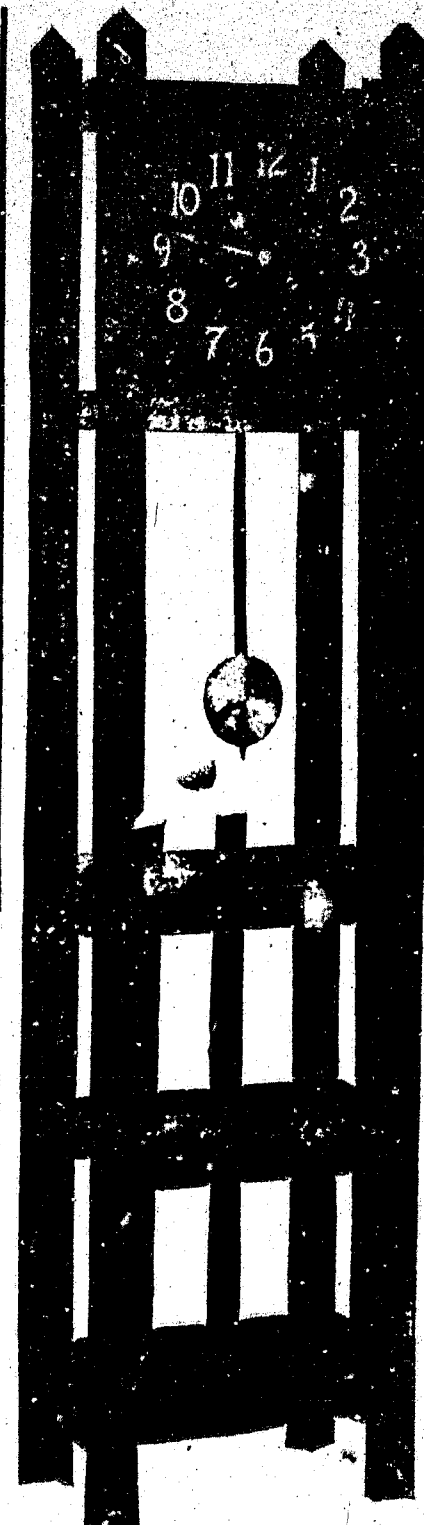


THIS COMFY ROCKER

This beautiful rocker is covered in chamois leather over a bed of oil tempered steel springs, has a heavy ruffled edge. Regular \$13.00 value.

HOLIDAY PRICE

12.50

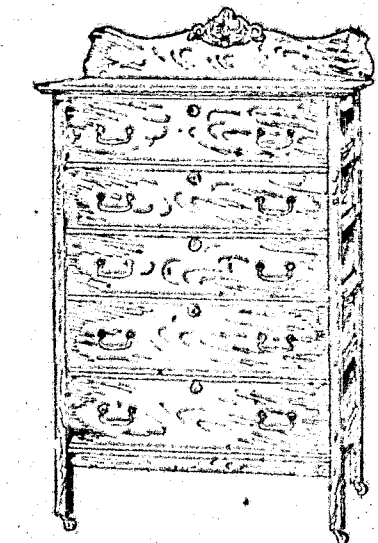


THIS MISSION CLOCK, \$5.98.

Is made of solid oak, cathedral going strike, guaranteed to run three days without winding, has three large shelves for books, measures five feet nine inches high and 17 inches wide. The exclusive store would ask you \$10.00.

OUR PRICE

5.98



THIS SOLID OAK CHIFFONIER

Shown in the illustration is made of Solid Oak, has five large drawers, equipped with Lock and Keys. Regular \$7.00 value.

OUR PRICE

4.98

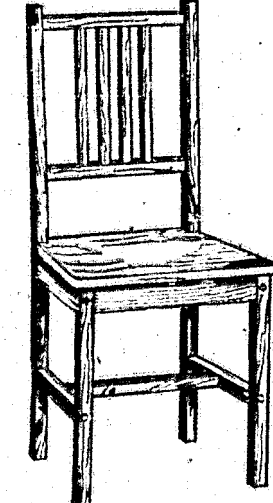


THIS BEAUTIFUL PERAMBULATOR

The highest grade of baby carriage manufacture, such as would please the fancy of any mother, an extraordinary value at

HOLIDAY PRICE

\$22.50

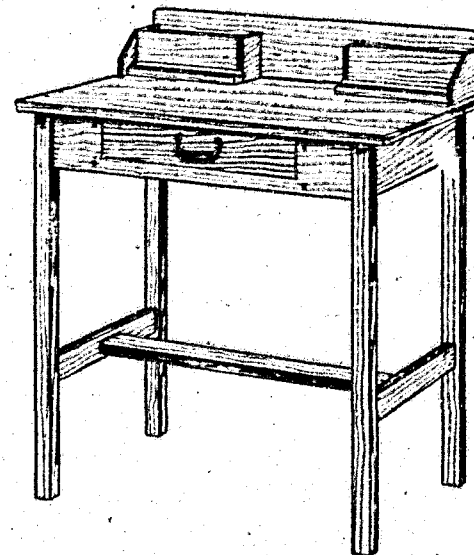


THIS DESK CHAIR

Beautiful Mission Finish. A wonderful value at \$2.50.

OUR SPECIAL PRICE

\$1.50



THIS HANDSOME MISSION DESK

Made of solid oak, 34 inches wide 24 inches deep, with drawer and shelf underneath, and paper and envelope rack on top.

OUR PRICE

\$4.00

Regular price, \$7.00.

Our Liberal Credit Free to All. We pay the freight

STERLING,

Furniture & Carpet Co.

25-29 N. Fountain Ave.,
SPRINGFIELD, O.

Chr

Will find attraction greater to for your c at "Bird"

Toys

Candies

Don't

Oranges

Nuts

Figs

Fancy

Goods

Novelties

Jewelry

Chinaware

Eggs

BIRD'S

LOCAL AND

Mr. Clayton M. are home form N.

Canvas glove leather and knit Bros.



For sale—ter home, b latest fashion complete—ev convenience, price \$30.

Others fro \$25.

THE V

Arcade,

COR

Christmas Shoppers

Will find "Bird's Mammoth Store" the center of attraction. It has always been so, and it is even greater today in the many different lines it offers for your consideration. It will pay you to trade at "Bird's"

Toys

Everything you can think of in this line and lots of others thrown in to make up a wonderful assortment

Candies

Hundreds of pounds of many kinds of the purest and sweetest candies made. Choice Cut Mixed and stick, lb. .10c
Fancy French Creams, lb. .12 1-2c
Chocolate Creams (fine ones)20c

Don't

Put off making your purchases until the day before Christmas. DO IT NOW, while our assortments are still unbroken. Don't come at night but come in the day time when we can serve you best.

Oranges

Fancy Florida Oranges, the sweetest and juiciest on the market. We have all sizes, 20c, 30c and 45c per dozen. Walnuts, Almonds, Filberts, new and fine.

Nuts

Figs

Fancy Goods

Here you will find an unlimited supply. Something to suit and please every one at lowest prices.

Novelties

Fancy Silk Scarfs, .50c, \$1 and \$1.50
Pin Cushions, Pillow Tops, Neckwear, Ladies Hand Bags 50c, \$1 \$1.50 each
Veil Pins, Belt Pins, Rings, Etc.

Jewelry

China Dishes, beautiful decorations, 25c to \$3.00 each

Chinaware

---WE WILL PAY YOU---

35c per dozen

Eggs

In trade for Clean Fresh Eggs until closing time, Saturday, Dec. 24th at

BIRD'S MAMMOTH STORE.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. Clayton McMillan and wife are home from New York City.

Canvas gloves and mittens, leather and knit gloves. Nagley Bros.



For sale—a cozy winter home, built in the latest fashion, new and complete—every modern convenience, fine trim—price \$30.

Others from \$4.98 to \$25.

THE WHEN,

Areale, Springfield, O

Try Nagley Bros. for sealshipped oysters.

The best rubbers made at Moser's Shoe Store, Xenia, O.

FOR RENT—The Z. T. Phillips property. H. N. Sheeley.

Mrs. J. W. Johnson and two daughters, Lucille and Eleanor, spent Thursday in Columbus.

Mr. R. B. Barber and Mrs. L. M. Bratton, who have been taking treatment in a Chicago sanitarium, returned home Thursday morning, both greatly improved in health.

A change in the program for the installation of Rev. J. S. E. McMichael for today made the hour of beginning in the forenoon instead of the afternoon. By doing so a congregational dinner followed with the afternoon for a social hour.

Rev. R. A. Hutchison, D. D., secretary of the U. P. Home Mission Board returned to Pittsburg, Thursday, after making a short visit with his son, James, who makes his home with Mr. R. F. Kerr. Rev. Hutchison with one or two others were leaders in the new Keystone party in Pennsylvania that came near defeating John Tener, liberal candidate for governor. As the party had no inspectors at the polls and the majority was close it is believed that Tener was defeated but was counted in by holding up the returns in Pittsburg until it was seen how the state would go.

Ice cream the year around at Marshall's.

CROP REPORT SHOWS CHANGES.

The following report is compiled from returns received from the official correspondents of the Department:

WHEAT—Condition compared with an average, 94 per cent.

WHEAT—Amount of crop of 1910 sold as soon as threshed, 41 per cent.

WHEAT—Damage to growing crop by Hessian fly, 5 per cent.

WHEAT—Damage to growing crop by white grub worm, 1 per cent.

CORN—Area planted in 1910 as returned by township assessors, 3,074,292 acres.

CORN—Estimated average yield per acre of shelled corn, 34 bushels.

CORN—Total estimated product for 1910, 105,512,245 bushels.

CORN—Crop of 1910 put into silo, 7 per cent.

CORN—Average date cribbing began, October 25th.

GALLEY 2 Cedarville Herald

CLOVER—Area sown in 1909 cut for seed, 22 per cent.

CLOVER—Average yield of seed per acre, 13 bushels.

APPLES—Probable total yield compared with last year, 56 per cent.

TOBACCO—Probable average product per acre, 818 pounds.

CATTLE—Number being fed for spring market compared with an average, 79 per cent.

SHEEP—Number being fed for mutton compared with an average, 81 per cent.

The present condition of the growing wheat plant shows a decline of 8 per cent in comparison with the estimate of November 1st, being reported at 94 per cent compared with an average. Decline in condition is reported principally from southern section of the state, where dry, cold weather prevailed the greater part of November. The plant also shows damage by Hessian fly, correspondents estimating same at 5 per cent. Eighty counties of the state report the presence of fly, the damage estimates from same ranging from 1 to 15 per cent. For the state as a whole, however, the condition of the plant is satisfactory, and it will go into winter in fine condition. Of the crop of 1910, it is estimated that 41 per cent was sold as soon as threshed.

The corn harvest shows a material increase over the estimate of one month ago. The average production per acre is reported at 34 bushels, giving a total production for the state of 105,512,245 bushels. Statistics returned from township assessors show a total state corn production for 1909 of 127,318,227 bushels. On December 1, 1909, correspondents of this Department estimated the harvest at 121,127,532 bushels, approximately 16,000,000 more than the present estimate. The average date of cribbing was October 25th. This late date was due to the crop drying out slowly. The quality of the grain is variable over the state. Warm, wet weather caused mold in early-cut corn. It is estimated that 7 per cent of the present crop was put into silo. Corn production in Ohio for the past five years, as returned by township assessors, have been as follows: 1905, 108,538,362 bushels; 1906, 127,014,784 bushels; 1907, 100,620,295 bushels; 1908, 102,022,908 bushels; 1909, 127,318,227 bushels.

A CHRISTMAS PRESENT THAT MEANS SOMETHING

There is one especially good thing about a Christmas present of The Youth's Companion. It shows that the giver thought enough of you to give you something worth while.

It is easy to choose something costing a great deal more which is absolutely useless, but to choose a present costing only \$1.75 that will provide a long year's entertainment and the uplifting companionship of the wise and great, is another matter. There is one present, however, which does just that—The Youth's Companion.

If you want to know whether it is appropriate or welcome, just visit the home of some Companion subscriber on Companion day.

Do not choose any Christmas present until you have examined The Companion. We will send you free sample copies and the beautiful Prospectus for 1911, telling something of how The Companion has recently been enlarged and improved.

The one to whom you give the subscription will receive free all the numbers of 1910 issued after the money is received; also The Companion's Art Calendar for 1911, lithographed in twelve colors and gold. These will be sent to reach the subscriber Christmas morning, if desired.

You, too, as giver of the subscription, will receive a copy of the Calendar.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, 144 Berkeley St., Boston, Mass. New Subscriptions Received at This Office

Finest line of Box Candies in town at Marshall's.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church will hold a Christmas market on Friday, Dec. 23rd, in the C. W. Crouse room. The sale of the Christmas boxes at 10c each will begin at 3:30 p. m.

Institute Has Small Attendance.

A number of reasons are assigned for small attendance during the Farmers' Institute Wednesday and Thursday, the busy season with the farmer, the near approach of the holiday season and the short notice given the committee to advertise.

The officers lay considerable criticism on the Secretary of the State Board in that the notice was not given out soon enough, particularly after the impression had gone out that there was to be no institute here this year.

The program for the different sessions was well carried out, the addresses of the state speakers, were at times lengthy; those of Rev. McMichael, H. N. Ensign, Dr. Leo Anderson, and Miss Ida Shilling, the latter at the O. S. U., were very instructive.

The nomination committee consisted of F. B. Turnbull, S. K. Williamson and Thompson Crawford. The following officers were chosen: President, H. N. Coe; Secretary, J. H. Stormont. Executive committee: Clayton McMillan, Mrs. W. B. Stevenson, Mrs. S. C. Anderson and G. H. Creswell.

All the good things of the season at the Ladies' Aid Society market on Friday, December 23rd in the Crouse room.

Do not forget the Christmas market in the Crouse room on Friday, Dec. 23rd, as given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church.

The A. M. E. church club will give a social spelling contest at O. M. Crouse's building on Saturday night December 17. A prize will be given to the best speller. Begins at 7:30. Everybody is welcome.

Arthur Taylor.

AT LEAST

One thousand people should read this ad. It is important that you should attend to your

Christmas Buying without delay. Our stock is varied—daily and up-to-date and best of all—

Low in Price

We would make a special request that your picture frame work be sent in soon.

Books

Then there is nothing more satisfactory for presents for friends at a distance.

Bibles

For children, teachers, and the family. Every child should own a Bible.

Novelties

In Brass Goods, Tea Sets, Five O'clock Teas, Berry Sets, Chop Plates, Cake Plates, Salad Bowls, Vases, Jardiniere, Fern Holders, Candelabra, Gongs and Cathedral Chimes.

Great Display

Of Pictures nicely framed, from 10c up. Good things too, and worthy of your attention.

Musical Instruments

Violins, Guitars, Mandolins, Accordions, Harmonicas, Violin Bows and Boxes, Strings and Fixtures.

For Young Men

Necktie Holders, Shaving Sets, Smoking Sets, Desk Sets.

We Can Suit Every Need.

WEST'S Book Store, XENIA, OHIO.

SUITS AND OVERCOATS, \$10.00 to \$25.00

In all sizes and patterns. You'll not have the slightest difficulty in getting something just to your notion in Clothing and Fur Caps,

Sensible Christmas Gifts

Our store is full of sensible, practical presents for men and boys—Neckwear, Shirts, Collars, Fancy Vests, House Coats, Bath Robes, Muffler, Suspenders, Sweaters, Umbrellas, Fur Gloves, Dress and Driving Gloves, Soft and Stiff Hats, Fur Caps, and many other articles that will please him. Prices so low that you'll quickly decide to make your selections here.



Sullivan,

Clothier - Hatter - Furnisher

So. Limestone St., Springfield, O.

Hutchison & Gibney XENIA, OHIO.



Silk and Heatherbloom, Persian Petticoats, \$5.00

Silk and Crepe Kimonos

FURS—Child's Sets \$2 up. Pillow Rug Muff \$2.75

Fur Sets \$12 to \$100.

SILK WAISTS—Embroidered or Tailored Waists

Mufflers Mitts Gloves Silk Scarfs Towels

Fancy Hose Leather Bags Purses

Three Cases Full of Christmas Novelties

Children's and Ladies' Sweaters \$1.00 up

Shawls and Scarfs 50c to \$1 Dressing Sacques

Knit Petticoats Handkerchiefs Aprons

WILL YOU

Listen to a statement made by Dr. W. O. Thompson, President of O. S. U., who said in his speech at Thomas Johnson's picnic to the breeders of pure bred live stock, that one of the most satisfactory investments he had ever made on his farm was a pure bred Percheron mare. Therefore, let me give you that opportunity of seeing some of the best imported and home bred mares in this country today at The Champion Percheron Farm of America at Wenona, Ill., Robert Burgess & Sons, Props. Andrew Winter, Local Salesman.

THE RAPID Folding Go-Cart

combines comfort, durability and appearance at the lowest possible price consistent with quality. Mother's motto: "Nothing too good for the baby."

We also manufacture Thompson's Folding Crib. Sanitary, comfortable, convenient, durable and economical. Ask your dealer to show you a "Rapid Folding Go-Cart" and Thompson's Folding Crib, both of which are necessary articles for the baby. The best one motion collapsible Cart made. If your dealer does not handle these two articles, write us direct for price and circulars.

MISHAWAKA FOLDING CARRIAGE CO., Mishawaka, Ind.

The Newsalt Jewelry House

The Finest of its kind in the State of Ohio for fine

DIAMONDS, WATCHES, AND STERLING SILVERWARE

CORNER FOURTH AND MAIN STREET,

DAYTON, OHIO

For Exec
Work with
that of an

THIRTY

W

To show

O

To all wh
tween no
worth of

Nifty Shi
Coats, S

You will
at the

Hor-

Cedarvill

Live

7 = H,

One Polled, l
lent milk
to be fres
butter cov
One large re
no horns,
due to be
One red cov
trained to
One red heit
real pet, c
February,
One Shorthe
gallon mil
One Polled,
fresh Dec
One Polled, r
milker.
One red heit
ty anima
All o
no
d
e
Two miles

A W

By Arra

Beu G

OP

A Perf

LOWE

TRY